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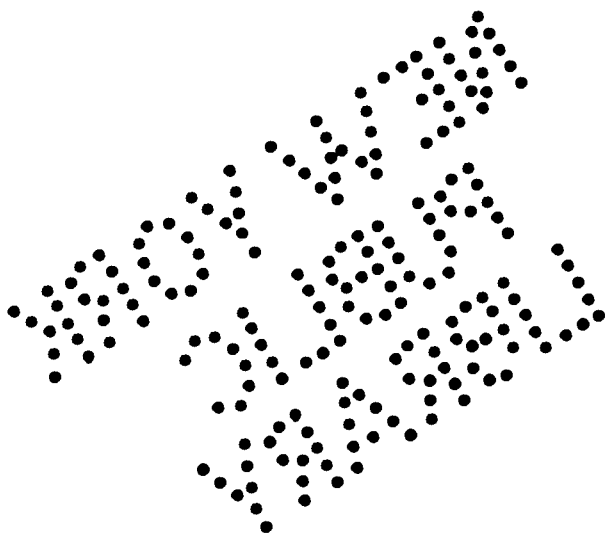
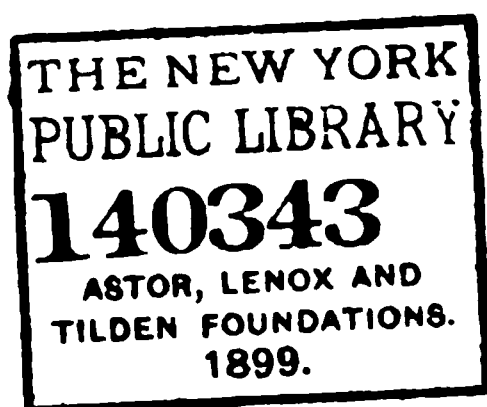
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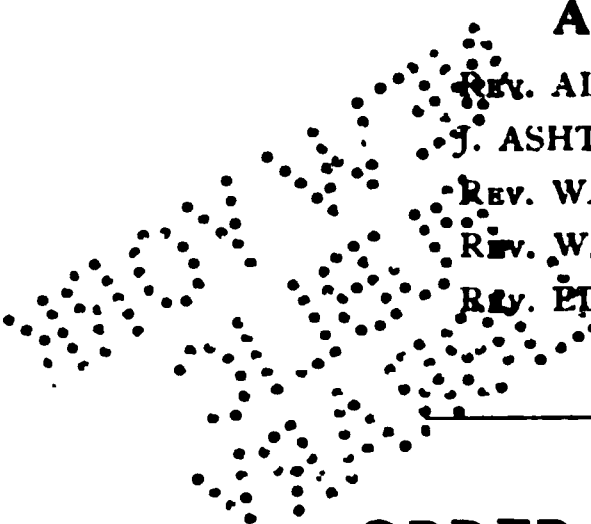
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ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Prayer.
2. Calling of the Roll.
3. Reading of the Minutes of Last Meeting.
4. Report of Treasurer.
5. Communications from the Corresponding Secretary.
6. Reports from Standing Committees.
7. Report of Auditors.
8. Miscellaneous Business.

THE SIXTY-SEVENTH SESSION
OF THE
American Baptist Home Mission Society.

HELD AT SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., MAY 30 AND 31, AND JUNE 1.
1899.

The Sixty-seventh Annual Meeting of the American Baptist Home Mission Society convened in the meeting-house of the First Baptist Church, San Francisco, Cal., Tuesday evening, May 30, 1899. In the absence of President Greenè, Vice-President E. M. Thresher, Esq., of Ohio, presided. Devotional exercises, as follows, opened the session: Rev. C. M. Hill, of California, read Isaiah 40; prayer by Rev. S. H. Willey, D.D., pastor of a Congregational church in San Francisco, and a contemporary of Rev. O. C. Wheeler, our first missionary here.

The presiding officer made a brief address.

Singing. Coronation.

Secretary Morgan presented the report of the Board, calling attention to special parts, and also to March, April, and May numbers of the *Home Mission Monthly*, as containing important historical and descriptive matter. The treasurer's report was submitted by the recording secretary. Special attention was called to the summary; also to the list of legacies and the list of annuitants.

In making the report, the secretary said:

"During the year it became necessary to elect a treasurer.

Brother D. A. Waterman, who was serving without any compensation, resigned. The Board filled the vacancy by the election of Mr. Frank R. Hathaway, the son of one of the staunch Baptist families of New York. He was a graduate from Columbia College, and afterwards studied in Chicago University, making a specialty of the science of statistics. After leaving Chicago, he acquired a prominent place in a large dry-goods house, in which he had oversight of the statistical department. He is a thoroughly scientific master of accounts. He has been intimately known to several members of the Board for many years, and has their utmost confidence. I speak the judgment of the Board when I say that they deem themselves favored in having so true a Christian and so well-trained a man for the position."

Rev. L. H. Halsey, Arizona, presented the following resolution, which was adopted: "*Resolved*, That we extend a cordial invitation to pastors of other religious bodies who are present, to sit with us and participate in our deliberations."

The Chairman named the following committees: Nominations—R. O. Fuller, Massachusetts; Rev. C. M. Hill, California; Rev. A. J. Frost, California; Rev. W. A. Stanton, D.D., Pennsylvania; Rev. G. H. Hubbard, D.D., New York; L. B. Philbrick, Esq., Massachusetts; Rev. W. M. Ingersoll, Ohio; Rev. S. W. Bacote, Missouri; Rev. H. L. Boardman, Oregon; Rev. L. H. Trowbridge, Michigan; Rev. T. E. Johnson, West Virginia; C. E. Rosling, Esq., Washington. Resolutions—Rev. J. J. Muir, District of Columbia; Rev. W. G. Partridge, Ohio; Rev. Alexander Blackburn, D.D., Oregon; Rev. Joseph Smale, California; Rev. F. Rector, Massachusetts; Rev. C. M. Carter, Indiana; Colonel J. J. Estey, Vermont. Enrollment—Rev. L. H. Halsey, Arizona; Rev. H. B. Steelman, Utah; E. R. Bennett, Esq., California; J. W. Inglis, Esq., California.

Report of Committee on Programme adopted.

Singing by the choir.

Address by Secretary Morehouse on the theme: "Fifty Years' Home Mission Work on the Coast."

Benediction: J. J. Muir.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, 10 A.M.

E. M. Thresher in the Chair. Singing: "More Love to Thee." Rev. J. V. Osterhout of Rhode Island read Psalm 84, and offered prayer. Singing. Address by Rev. Gilman Parker on the theme: "Oregon as a Mission Field." Singing: "Jesus Shall Reign," etc. H. B. Steelman of Utah spoke on the "Aggressive Attitude of Mormonism."

General Morgan presented the following amendment to section five of the Constitution, approved by Board May 8, 1899, and recommended for adoption:

"Provided that absence from four consecutive regular meetings of the Board, without a written, valid excuse, shall work a forfeiture of membership, unless the term is extended by special vote of the Board." The amendment was adopted.

Invitations for the meeting of 1900 were presented from Kansas City, and from Detroit, Mich. The latter included a letter from the Woodward Avenue Church offering their building, and from the Mayor of the city, and from the Business Men's League. Voted to accept the invitation to Detroit.

Rev. H. E. Adams spoke about the Gospel-Wagon Work.

Committee on Enrollment reported 800 registered attendants, of which 378 have reported themselves as Home Mission Attendants. These are divided as follows: 51 life-members, 26 annual members, 188 delegates, 113 visitors.

Adjourned until 2 P.M.

2 P.M.—AFTERNOON SESSION.

General Morgan stated that he had been appointed by the Committee on Systematic Beneficence to bring to this Society the statement that they deemed it best to continue the work of that commission and ask the Society to appoint members. Voted to refer the matter to the Executive Board.

Rev. Robert Whitaker, California, General Missionary, spoke on the topic, "California as a Mission Field." Rev. C. T. Douglass of California, General Missionary, spoke on the same topic.

W. E. Randall of Washington, General Missionary, spoke on "Washington as a Mission Field." Rev. A. M. Allyn of Washington, General Missionary, continued the discussion of "Washington as a Mission Field."

Committee on Nominations reported, and the following officers were elected: President—Stephen Greene, Esq., Massachusetts. Vice-Presidents—E. M. Thresher, Esq., Ohio; W. G. Brimson, Esq., Illinois. Treasurer—Frank R. Hathaway, Esq., New York. Auditors—Edgar L. Marston, Esq., New York; L. F. Requa, Esq., New York. Corresponding Secretary—T. J. Morgan, LL.D., New York. Recording Secretary—Rev. Alvah S. Hobart, D.D., New York.

Managers—First Class, expiring 1900: C. R. Hetfield, Esq., New York (vice D. A. Waterman, deceased). Second Class, expiring 1901: Rev. I. M. Haldeman, D.D., New York (vice C. Woelfkin, D.D., resigned). Third Class, expiring 1902: Rev. E. T. Hiscox, D.D., New York; Rev. E. Lathrop, D.D., New York; Rev. W. C. Bitting, D.D., New York; Rev. W. H. P. Faunce, D.D., New York; Rev. Wallace Buttrick, New York; Rev. E. T. Tomlinson, Ph.D., New Jersey; Rev. F. J. Parry, D.D., Connecticut.

Committee on Resolutions reported, and the following were adopted, a few members voting in the negative on the resolution about Representative Roberts of Utah.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to the Messrs. Scott of the Union Iron Works and to *The Examiner* for their generous offer to furnish a launch to carry the delegates to these anniversaries to visit war-vessel *Iowa*.

On the B. H. Roberts's case:

WHEREAS, The State of Utah was admitted into statehood in this Republic, with the distinct understanding on the part of Congress, and the distinct pledge on the part of the Mormon authorities, that there should be the abolition of old polygamous relations and the prohibition of new polygamous marriages, and that the laws of Utah should be brought into harmony with the laws of all the States of this nation in this respect, and into harmony with the moral sentiment of our people; and,

WHEREAS, In compliance with a condition of the Act of Con-

gress enabling Utah to form a State Government, the constitutional convention of Utah incorporated into the constitution of a provision that "polygamous or plural marriages are forever prohibited," and attached a penalty of fine or imprisonment or both to the violation of this provision; and

WHEREAS, Mr. B. H. Roberts, Representative-elect to Congress from the State of Utah, is an avowed polygamist, and has been convicted of the crime before the courts, and though a prominent member of the convention which adopted the provision against plural marriages, and at that time advocating the same, has since been a leader in the movement to repudiate the solemn covenant which Utah made with our Government in order to secure statehood, as is abundantly proven by his published utterances, and has thus become a covenant-breaker, as well as a self-confessed polygamist; and,

WHEREAS, The attitude of Mr. B. H. Roberts in defending plural marriages and in seeking to violate the covenant into which the State has entered into with the Nation, has received the endorsement of the Mormon leaders and was made a prominent issue in his election to Congress; therefore,

Resolved, That we, the representatives of a million Baptists of the North, assembled in annual convention in San Francisco, do earnestly protest against the said B. H. Roberts becoming a member or remaining a member of the House of Representatives, because he stands convicted before the nation as a law-breaker and a covenant-breaker, guilty of crimes which shock the moral sense of the people, and because his election having taken place on such an issue, to permit him to hold his seat in the House of Representatives might be understood by the Mormon community as an endorsement of polygamy by that body, and would give to it such an impetus as it has never had before in all the history of the Mormon church. It might seem to establish polygamy as a legitimate system of marriage and make it a menace to the American home, which is the corner-stone of our Christian civilization.

Resolved, That we will use our influence with our respective Representatives in Congress to induce them to stand uncompromisingly for the fundamental principles of morality and virtue, for the Christian home, and for the purity of our free institutions, by not allowing the said B. H. Roberts to have a voice in our national legislation for a single day or a single hour.

Resolved, That a certified copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the clerk of the House of Representatives, to be presented by him to that honorable body.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society are extended to the First Baptist Church and its honored and beloved pastor, Dr. E. A. Woods, for the hospitality extended and services rendered.

Resolved, That to the choir of this church, to other choirs of the city, and of Oakland, which contributed to our pleasure, the thanks of the Society are hereby tendered; also to the Christian Endeavor Society for the beautiful floral decorations which have added so much to the attractiveness of the meeting-house.

Resolved, further, That our thanks are tendered to the railroads and steamboats for any and all considerations received.

Resolved, further, That our thanks are due to the newspapers of the city and to the Associated Press for their notices of our meeting.

J. J. MUIR,
A. BLACKBURN,
C. M. CARTER,
F. RECTOR.

ON THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

WHEREAS, the liquor traffic is an unmitigated evil and a terrible menace to all our social, civil, and religious institutions; and,

WHEREAS, Its total suppression would prove a benediction to the home, the State, and the church of Christ. Be it therefore

Resolved, That we urge our entire constituency not only to favor, but to unite in all legitimate means to effect the overthrow of this nefarious business and the destruction of the saloon as a power in the body politic. Be it further

Resolved, That we express our hearty approval of the law of Congress prohibiting the sale of liquor in the army "canteen," and we protest against the nullifying act of the Attorney-General of the United States.

Singing.

The following telegram was read:

"REV. H. L. MOREHOUSE, D.D.,

"Occidental Hotel, San Francisco, Cal.

"Alaska stretches hands to God. Pray for and help Alaska.

"FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

"Skagway, Alaska."

Secretary Morehouse spoke on the future of Alaska. Rev. N.

B. Rairden, Superintendent Trans-Mississippi Division, spoke of this field.

Adjourned until 7.30 P.M.

7.30 P.M.—The Society convened, E. M. Thresher in the Chair. Rev. E. B. Hulbert, D.D., of Chicago, spoke on the topic: "City Missions." Collection taken for Miss Everett, who was injured by a cable-car, amounting to \$40. Address by Rev. Kerr B. Tupper, D.D., Pennsylvania: "The New Era in the West Indies."

Adjourned until 10 A.M.

10 A.M.—JUNE 1.

Singing—"I Need Thee Every Hour." Scripture—Psalm 42, F. J. Salsman, Montana. Prayer—Rev. C. A. Buckley, California. Singing—"Nearer, My God, to Thee." Address—Rev. Alex. Blackburn, Oregon.

EDUCATIONAL WORK OF AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

Rev. E. Z. Simmons of China, spoke on mission work among Chinese as related to work in China.

Rev. C. H. Hobart, California, spoke on work among Chinese, having some twenty or more members of the Chinese church with him on the platform, who spoke and sung.

At the close of this address the meeting of the Home Mission Society was merged into a meeting of Baptists, and for an hour delightful testimonies from all the secretaries, and many others, were given as to their enjoyment and profit in the meetings.

During this hour the following resolutions were read:

WHEREAS, The National Baptist Anniversaries have held their first meeting on the Pacific Coast, a meeting to which the Coast has looked forward with intense interest and upon which the blessing of God has rested in a marked manner; and

WHEREAS, There must come to all parts of our Coast a new conception of the greatness of our denomination and its work and a larger and richer life to many of our churches; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Pacific Coast Convention—a Convention

recently organized, and covering the entire Coast—does hereby express to the boards of the various societies constituting what is popularly known as the Anniversaries, our high appreciation of the great privilege which we have enjoyed and our gratitude to God and to these societies for the large benefit which we have already received and the still larger benefits into which we shall enter as the result of these meetings. Be it also further

Resolved, That we do here and now earnestly petition these societies to hold the Anniversaries again upon the Coast at the earliest practicable day consistent with the claims of other large sections of our land.

T. G. BROWNSON,
GILMAN PARKER,
J. H. GARNETT.

The Session adjourned with prayer and benediction by Rev. L. C. Barnes, Pennsylvania.

ALVAH S. HOBART,
Recording Secretary.

THE SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE
American Baptist Home Mission Society.

PRESENTED AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, MAY 30, 1899.

The Executive Board submits to the American Baptist Home Mission Society its Sixty-seventh Annual Report for the year ending March 31, 1899. It includes reports from the Treasurer, District Secretaries, Superintendents of Missions, General Missionaries, Field Secretary, Superintendent of Education, and Educational Agents, together with statistical tables.

OBITUARY.

Among those who have died during the year, whose connection with the Society was such as to call for special mention in the Annual Report, are the following:

John M. Gregory, LL.D., died at his home in Washington, D. C., October 20, 1898. At one time he was Superintendent of the Educational work of the Society and rendered very efficient and valuable service. He had held important public positions, and his life was honorable and useful. He was born in Sand Lake, N. Y., July 6, 1822; graduated at Union College in 1846. He was Superintendent of Instruction for Michigan six years; President of Kalamazoo College three years, and of the Illinois Indus-

trial University thirteen years, and was also a member of the National Civil-Service Commission.

H. C. Woods, D.D., Superintendent of Missions for the Rocky Mountain Division, died at his home in Pasadena, California, February 6, 1899. He was born in Licking County, Ohio, June 11, 1842; graduated from Madison University, 1865, and from the Theological Seminary, 1867; 1887 entered the service of the American Baptist Home Mission Society as District Superintendent of Missions and devoted to it the remainder of his life with great zeal, industry, and rare good judgment. His moulding hand upon the new churches of the West will be felt for generations.

Mrs. Mercy Maria Gray, one of the liberal benefactors of the Society, died at her home in Oakland, California, May 20, 1898.

Dea. Martin E. Gray, another large benefactor of the Society, died at his home at Willoughby, Ohio, March 12, 1899, aged eighty-four years. On reading the life of J. R. Cobb of Boston, who gave \$50,000 for beneficence Dea. Gray became profoundly impressed with the blessedness of giving, and determined to make it a feature of his life. Speaking about himself some years ago he said: "I practised the most rigid economy, as you will see when I tell you that during the past two years I have given over \$12,000 for the Master, and spent about \$500 for my board, clothes, books, papers, and attendance at our Anniversaries, Minneapolis and Washington, and our State Convention and other missionary meetings."

Heman Lincoln Wayland, D.D., died at Wernersville, Pa., November 7, 1898. He was a staunch friend and supporter of this Society in its multifarious work and by his pen and voice rendered it efficient aid. He was deeply interested in the education of the Negroes: was one of the first to accept an appointment from the Society, June 1, 1864, as missionary teacher at Nashville, Tenn., where he laid the foundation of what has since become Roger Williams University. A man of large frame, broad in his sympathies, of untiring energy, he devoted his life with singular unselfishness to the special advocacy of reform movements, taking

great delight in the struggles and conflicts incident to the advocacy of reforms while yet in their infancy.

Rev. George P. Wright, born in Jefferson, Mich., 1846, died at Ann Arbor, February 24, 1899. He served the Society with great efficiency as General Missionary for Colorado and New Mexico.

Among those who have been missionaries or teachers rendering special service to the Society were Rev. G. W. Blythe, who died at Stevensville, Mont., April 4, 1898. Miss Mary E. Miner, who died at Tahlequah, Ind. Ter., January 7, 1899, and Rev. S. D. Badger, who died at Superior, Neb., March 13, 1899.

Dea. Bennett Whitney, a life member of the Society, who was present at its organization in 1832, died at Newark, N. J., August 29, 1898, aged eighty-eight years.

Mrs. Abbie Meserve, wife of President Chas. F. Meserve of Shaw University, died suddenly in Boston, October 6, 1898; aside from the efficient help rendered to her husband in the home circle she took a special personal interest in the welfare of the young women and rendered a great deal of efficient, unsalaried service.

I. FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

We began the Fiscal Year, April 1, 1898, with a debt of about \$14,000. This has been paid; the usual current expenses of the year have been met, and we are able to report a surplus in the treasury amounting to \$40,890.29; of which \$35,000 has been set aside as an emergency fund. This favorable financial showing is due to the continued liberality of the churches and individuals, but more especially to the exceptionally large sums—amounting to more than \$100,000, liberated from the Annuity Fund by the decease of Mrs. M. M. Gray of Oakland, California, and Dea. Martin E. Gray of Willoughby, Ohio. We hope to be able to carry on the varied missionary and educational work of the Society for the year to come on a scale certainly no less than the one in operation during the last year. While there will be some reductions in the amount of money appropriated for missionary work

in some of the older Western States, which are gradually becoming independent, there is the most urgent demand for an increase of missionary appropriations in other portions of the country. The Spanish war has unexpectedly opened new fields for missionary work in Porto Rico and Eastern Cuba, and it is most earnestly desired and hoped that the enlarged receipts of the Society for the year will enable it to inaugurate and carry forward a carefully matured plan for the evangelizing of these people now calling so loudly for the Gospel. We hope to be able to spend not less than \$12,000 a year in the two fields. If this work is to be done successfully there is imperative necessity for spending considerable sums of money, probably \$50,000, in the purchase of property and the erection of suitable meeting-houses.

As the schools under the charge of the Society grow in years and develop in character, they demand better equipment and larger faculties. It is not possible for the schools to continue to grow healthily as they should, without this advance in the cost of their annual maintenance. Your Board believes that the financial history of the Society during sixty-seven years, the nature of the work it is now doing, its methods of administration of the funds entrusted to it, and the unceasing calls for the enlargement of its work in many directions, is a sufficient warrant for asking from churches and individuals a larger annual income.

RECEIPTS.

The total receipts this year including annuity, conditional and permanent trust funds, and profit on stock received by legacy in former years have been \$461,801.77.

Contributions have come from 48 States and Territories, also from Alaska, Burmah, China, and Mexico.

Receipts may be classified as follows:

I. From *contributions* of churches, Sunday-schools, and individuals—including \$61,278.93 annuity and trust funds—\$302,209.90.

II. From *legacies*, (a) Current, \$46,074.98, of which \$11,-

122.44, were permanent trust funds. (b) Profit on stock received by legacy in former years, \$53,153.76 permanent trust funds. Total, \$99,228.74.

III. The income from *invested funds* and *loans* to churches, \$56,261.78.

IV. From *school surplus*, \$809.18.

V. *Miscellaneous receipts*, including amounts for the *Home Mission Monthly*, \$3,292.17.

EXPENDITURES.

Total expenditures for the year were \$415,254.90; missionaries' salaries, \$187,447.37; expense of institutions, \$110,827.90; general superintendents, \$10,814.18; district secretaries, \$23,857.14; gifts to churches, \$18,315.04; annuities, \$21,299.38; expenses of administration at the Rooms, \$14,594.03; general expense and publication account, \$17,586.56; miscellaneous, \$10,513.40. Itemized accounts will be found in the Treasurer's report.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

The following table gives the districts and the names and addresses of the Secretaries:

1. NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT.—F. T. Hazlewood, D.D., Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
2. NEW YORK DISTRICT.—Dwight Spencer, D.D., 111 Fifth avenue, New York City.
3. WABASH DISTRICT.—Rev. S. C. Fulmer, 292 East Fifteenth street, Indianapolis, Ind.
4. LAKE DISTRICT.—E. H. E. Jameson, D.D., 106 Smith avenue, Detroit, Mich.
5. PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—E. B. Palmer, D.D., 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.
6. CHICAGO DISTRICT.—J. B. Thomas, D.D., Monon Building, 324 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.
7. UPPER MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT.—O. A. Williams, D.D., 702 Lumber Exchange, Minneapolis, Minn.
8. CENTRAL DISTRICT.—Rev. D. D. Proper, Des Moines, Iowa.

9. PACIFIC DISTRICT.—Rev. C. A. Woody, 175 Fourth street, Portland, Ore.

10. KANAWHA DISTRICT.—W. E. Powell, D.D., Parkersburg, W. Va.

The reports of the Secretaries follow:

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT.

F. T. HAZLEWOOD, D.D., BOSTON, MASS., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The year just closed has been marked by a persistent presentation of the many and varied claims of the work of the American Baptist Home Mission Society. By personal and general letters, by circular, by leaflet, by sermon, by address, by illustrated lecture, and by individual solicitation I have endeavored to reach the different portions of New England, imparting information, and seeking to enlist the interest, and secure the co-operation of individuals, churches, Sunday-schools, and Young People's Societies.

A fair measure of success has attended these efforts; indeed, it has seemed to me that the year, in some respects, has been more hopeful and encouraging than some of those more immediately preceding. There are signs of a return to the more liberal giving, which characterized the years prior to the hard times, from which the country is apparently recovering. I am persuaded that, if it had not been for the succession of rainy Sundays during the month of March, our receipts would be considerably larger than usual for this time of the year.

We cannot forget that the many stormy Sundays of the winter have lessened largely the receipts of the churches for their own current expenses; as a result, many of them have been endeavoring to collect enough to close their own year without a deficit, while in some cases heroic efforts have been made to cancel mortgages, with a success which will enable them to do very much more for missions in the future than in the past. But, in spite of the temptation to put their own needs first, many a pastor and his church officers have, with most unselfish spirit, urged the collections for missions first, trusting to the future for the making up of deficiencies for the home expenses.

More and more I find myself indebted, for inspiring and helpful words of confidence and coöperation, to the pastors and members of the churches alike, which I take pleasure, in this public manner, to acknowledge.

Below will be found the financial statement for the year:

Total Contributions from the Churches.....	\$27,057 93
“ “ from Individuals.....	27,089 24
“ “ from Sunday-schools.....	1,626 71
“ “ from Young People's Societies.....	642 36
“ “ from Legacies.....	36,037 76
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	\$92,454 00
Total from all sources this year.....	\$92,454 00
Total from all sources last year.....	109,252 64
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Decrease from last year.....	\$16,798 64
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Total from the churches last year.....	\$30,146 31
Total from the churches this year.....	27,057 93
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Decrease from last year.....	\$3,088 38
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Total from Individuals last year.....	\$49,266 64
Total from Individuals this year.....	27,089 24
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Decrease	\$22,177 40
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Total from Sunday-Schools last year.....	\$1,790 59
Total from Sunday-Schools this year.....	1,626 71
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Decrease	\$163 88
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Total from Young People's Societies last year.....	\$893 57
Total from Young People's Societies this year.....	642 36
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Decrease	\$251 21
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Total from Legacies this year.....	\$36,037 76
Total from Legacies last year.....	34,314 05
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Increase	\$1,723 71
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Of the Contributions of Individuals, for Conditional and Permanent Trust Funds, there were last year.....	\$39,728 73
This year.....	10,000 00
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Of the Contributions from Legacies, for Conditional and Permanent Trust Funds, there were this year.....	\$10,628 76
Last year.....	<u>5,350 00</u>
There have been received at the Southern Schools of the Society from this District this year.....	\$2,963 33
Last year.....	<u>3,546 57</u>

NEW YORK DISTRICT.

DWIGHT SPENCER, D.D., NEW YORK, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

From the financial statement following, it will be seen that there has been a small falling off in the receipts this year. There have been two reasons for this. A number of churches, in adopting State, or associational, plans of systematic beneficence, found the time for Home Mission collection moved forward from the latter part of the last fiscal year to the early part of the present year. Then, a large number of churches, and among these nearly all the city churches, have for many years made up their Home Mission collection the last month of the current year. Up to February 1st there had been a steady gain throughout the district, and the Secretary felt sure of several thousand dollars' increase in the year's receipts. But from that time on, severe and protracted storms so interfered with church work in general, and especially in the making up of missionary collections, that there was a shrinkage in the amount collected in some of the churches, while, in others, the collection was put off till after the books closed.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Total received from Churches.....	\$27,577 47
Individuals	52,597 50
Legacies	4,809 68
105 Sunday-schools	1,410 23
93 Young People's Societies.....	599 90
18 Women's Societies.....	217 14
	<u>\$87,241 92</u>
Deduct amount received from three New Jersey Associations.	<u>4,872 96</u>
Total from New York.....	\$82,368 96

Churches	\$23,620 17	
Individuals	52,597 50	
Legacies	4,809 68	
99 Sunday-schools	1,119 62	
88 Y. P. Societies	604 20	
16 Women's Societies	217 79	
	<hr/>	\$82,368 96

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

Total amount received in 1897-'98.....	\$94,701 91	
Deduct amt. designated for debt... \$1,300 00		
Deduct special gift for Spelman Seminary	8,134 00	
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Actual Deficiency this year..... \$2,898 95

The work of correspondence with pastors and churches, and giving strict attention to the careful distribution of literature among the smaller churches as well as the larger, has been prosecuted with diligence during the entire year. From nearly twenty-years' observation and experience, as missionary and collecting agent, the Secretary is convinced that the giving of Baptists for Home Missions will be in proportion to their knowledge of mission fields, and the blessed results that follow missionary labor upon them.

Last year the Secretary reported 175 churches added to the list of contributors, and 57 more have been added this year. Most of these have only given small amounts, but with increased knowledge upon the subject of missions, and with the added joy that comes from giving for missions, there will follow increased contributions.

The Secretary takes great pleasure in recognizing the valuable aid rendered by Mrs. William Scott, who entered the Society's service in May, 1898. She visited many churches and associations, and by her thrilling descriptions of the needs and sufferings of her people, and her fervent appeals in their behalf, awakened a deep interest in the Society's missionary and educational work among the Negroes in the Southern States, and secured valuable contributions for its further prosecution and enlargement.

Following is a detailed statement of Mrs. Scott's labors:

Number of churches visited, 126; Sunday-schools, 24; Young People's Societies, 15; Women's Societies, 20; number of Associations attended, 22; number of Conventions, 4; number of Pastors' Conferences and other meetings, 12; number of addresses delivered, 223; amount of money collected, \$1185.35; amount of pledges taken, \$1608.32; amount received for subscriptions to *Monthly*, \$120.00.

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT: PENNSYLVANIA, SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY,
DELAWARE AND DISTRICT COLUMBIA.

E. B. PALMER, D.D., PHILADELPHIA, PA., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The total amount received from this district during the year, exclusive of the offerings to the Women's Home Mission Society, is, \$27,740.07. Of this amount, \$21,520.00 have come from Pennsylvania, \$4569.55 from Southern New Jersey, \$775.73 from Delaware, and \$883.74 from District of Columbia.

There have been 483 contributing churches, against 476 last year; 95 Sunday-schools, against 117 last year; 41 Young People's Societies, against 27 last year; and 60 individual contributors, against 53 the previous year, making a total of 684, against 631 for the year preceding.

The amounts received from these different sources are shown in the following analysis:

Total from Churches this year.....	\$11,484 77
Total from Churches last year.....	11,233 50
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Increase over last year.....	\$251 27
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Total from individuals this year.....	\$7,322 85
Total from individuals last year.....	8,150 00
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Decrease from last year.....	\$827 15
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Total from Sunday-schools this year.....	\$740 42
Total from Sunday-schools last year.....	991 79
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Decrease from last year.....	\$251 37
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Total from Y. P. Societies this year.....	\$204 58
Total from Y. P. Societies last year.....	160 58
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Increase over last year.....	44 00
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Total from other organizations this year.....	41 50
Total from other organizations last year.....	97 75
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Decrease from last year.....	\$56 25
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Total from Legacies this year.....	\$3,638 20
Total from Legacies last year.....	6,438 41
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Decrease from last year.....	2,800 21
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Total from Annuities this year.....	\$4,300 00
Total from Annuities last year.....	1,700 00
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Increase over last year.....	\$2,600 00
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Total from all sources this year.....	\$27,740 67
Total from all sources last year.....	28,772 03
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Decrease from last year.....	\$1,031 36
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The decrease in our receipts, \$1031.36, is due, in part, to the change of time of taking offerings, in accordance with the suggestion from the Systematic Beneficence Committee. This has thrown over several offerings into the next year.

The discussion which has entered into the history of the year, and which at one time seemed to betoken the possible alienation of some supporters of the Society, came to a happy issue. The brief antagonism has subsided, with possibly here and there an exception. There is reasonable ground to hope that, with a fuller understanding of the work of the Home Mission Society, there will be an enlarged support for the coming years.

Special attention has been given to the contributions from the Young People's Societies. It was found that these organizations are largely interested in what is known as "specifics." The Home Mission Society has thus far steadily refused to make appeals along this line, and the result is that a large bulk of their offerings has gone in other directions. Attention was called to this fact in a circular letter addressed to all the Societies in the District, and we are gratified to report a larger number of offerings from this source than heretofore. Had we followed out our original intention, we are satisfied that the results would have been still larger. It is to be hoped, however, that in some way this one-sided development may be corrected; certain it is, that these organizations, patriotic and loyal as they are in other ways, should come more fully to realize that

there is a wide and needy field committed to the Home Mission Society, in every way worthy their prayerful attention.

The appeal made to the Sunday-schools in behalf of Cuba and Porto Rico in Chapel Day Exercises, has been generously responded to. The results, however, have come in too late to be included in this report.

Pennsylvania has a very large foreign population. It is grouped in the large industrial centers and in the coke and coal regions. The Ministers' Conference of the Abington and Wyoming Associations made a careful study of Luzerne and Lackawanna Counties in this particular. As a result, application was made to the Home Mission Society to join the Pennsylvania State Mission Society, and the above-named Associations, in taking up work in the above counties. A plan of coöperation was effected. One missionary has been on the field for several months. The beginning is most auspicious, and there is every reason to anticipate most gratifying results in the future.

My work in the Spring was somewhat interrupted by sickness. I have visited 66 churches, attended 21 Associations, and provided a substitute to speak at those which I was unable to reach in person. I have preached 48 sermons, delivered 65 addresses and lectures; have sent out about 4500 letters and 25,000 circulars.

THE LAKE DISTRICT: MICHIGAN AND OHIO.

E. H. E. JAMESON, D.D., DETROIT, MICH., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The churches in Ohio and Michigan keep on in the "even tenor of their way." I wish they were not so "even" in their way of giving. It would be gratifying to report an increase in contributions all along the line, but this privilege is denied us; though there are some churches that have more than doubled their gifts over previous years. One earnest young pastor, who attended the Anniversaries at Rochester, went home full of enthusiasm, laid the matter before his people, appointed a committee to solicit pledges, and awaited the result. It was a gain of seventy dollars over the preceding year. Other pastors have taken hold of the work in earnest, with sermons, literature, and personal solicitation, and grand results have been realized. But the trouble is, largely, with the pastors, that will not lead and instruct their people, or will not permit the secretaries and field-workers to come and give instruction. Notwithstanding this view of the situation, there is much encouragement. The young people in the churches are beginning to be interested in the work of missions, and are reading more on the subject than formerly. I have sent out more literature during the year than heretofore, and am hearing of good results from it.

The seed is bound to bear fruit. There is a good degree of business prosperity on every hand. Fewer Christian people are out of employment than last year, and farmers complain less of low prices. All that is needed to increase contributions is an awakened conscience among church members, and a true sense of personal responsibility. I give below some figures that will show the results of the year's work, with a few comparisons that are not altogether odious, together with what the district has yielded to the Society, apart from what I have gathered:

GENERAL STATEMENT.

From Churches, Sunday-Schools, Young People's Societies, Women's Societies, and from Individuals.....	11,711 62
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DETAILED STATEMENT.

Contributions from Churches, Sunday-Schools, Young People's Societies, and miscellaneous gifts and legacies in Michigan	\$5,026 29
Contributions from the same sources in Ohio.....	6,029 33
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Total Contributions	\$11,055 62
Of the above total amount,	
188 Churches in Michigan gave.....	\$3,018 92
35 Sunday-schools.....	177 70
16 Young People's Societies.....	59 99
The Woman's Home Mission Society.....	650 00
One Legacy	1,000 00
Various individual and miscellaneous gifts.....	119 68
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Total from Michigan.....	\$5,100 03
The part Ohio had in this work may be stated as follows:	
192 Churches contributed.....	\$4,278 27
25 Sunday-Schools gave.....	164 53
21 Young People's Societies gave.....	168 11
The Women's Societies of Cleveland and Dayton Associations	322 55
Individual gifts and small legacies.....	1,075 87
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Total from Ohio.....	\$6,029 33

COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS.

Total receipts from all sources last year in Michigan and Ohio	\$21,557 69
Total receipts this year, not including the gifts from Martin E. Gray.....	11,711 11
Total gifts this year, including the gifts of Dea. Gray.....	78,711 11
Total receipts from Churches last year.....	\$7,344 14
Total receipts from Churches this year.....	7,297 19
Total contributions from Sunday-Schools last year.....	329 18
Total contributions from Sunday-Schools this year.....	342 23
Total contributions from Young People last year.....	215 08
Total contributions from Young People this year.....	228 10
Total contributions from Women's Societies last year.....	1,462 70
Total contributions from Women's Societies this year.....	972 55
Total from Individual gifts and legacies last year.....	12,246 59
Total from Individual gifts and legacies this year.....	2,214 87

In Michigan, last year, 123 churches made contributions. In Michigan, this year, 188 churches made contributions. In Michigan, last year, 15 Sunday-schools and 10 Young People's Societies contributed to the Society; in Michigan, this year, 35 Sunday-schools and 16 Young People's Societies contributed.

In Ohio, last year, 218 churches, 19 Sunday-schools, and 12 Young People's Societies contributed to our work; in the same State, this year, 192 churches, 25 Sunday-schools, and 21 Young People's Societies have contributed.

The amount received from legacies last year was, in Michigan, \$3000; in Ohio, \$8000; this year the amount, in Michigan, was \$1000; in Ohio, less than \$1000, not including the gifts of Martin E. Gray.

In looking back six years, I find there has been an increase in the number of contributing churches, Sunday-schools, and Young People's Societies, but the amount contributed has not been made much larger. Under the Systematic-Beneficence Plan the smaller churches are giving more regularly, but some of the large churches are giving in less amounts. The churches need to study and practise proportionate giving.

The Society has kindly sent to my assistance Mrs. E. G. Wheeler, an experienced missionary, and an interesting and effective speaker. She commenced her work in March, and has already created an interest among the Young People, as well as in church circles, by her earnest addresses, illustrated by a rich experience in the Western States.

To perform my usual and unusual work of the year, I have traveled about 19,000 miles; visited 78 churches; attended 34 Associations and 22 other meetings; preached 64 sermons, and delivered 94 addresses; besides

doing a large amount of office work, which involved the writing of 2200 letters, and the sending out of many circulars and packages.

I trust the year upon which I enter, which is the tenth of my service, will be more productive than any of the preceding.

WABASH DISTRICT: INDIANA AND SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

REV. SCHUYLER C. FULMER, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

This district includes the State of Indiana and that part of the State of Illinois lying south of Bloomington. Inasmuch as there are many who will read this report that do not know the peculiar makeup of the district, I give the following facts for their information. In Indiana there are 87 churches having all-time preaching, 3 having three-fourths' time, 102 having one-half time, 240 having one-fourth time, and 82 having no regular preaching, making in all 514 churches. In Illinois there are 70 churches having all-time preaching, 4 having three-fourths time, 90 having one-half time, 409 having one-fourth time, and 83 having no regular preaching, making in all 656 churches. Combining these we have for the district 157 churches having all-time preaching, 7 having three-fourths time, 192 having one-half time, 649 having one-fourth time, and 165 having no regular preaching, making a total in the district of 1170 churches. It will be observed that the all-time churches are only a little more than 13 per cent. of the whole number, and that the number having one-fourth time and those having no regular preaching are almost 70 per cent. of the whole. These facts were compiled from correspondence which I had with the clerks and moderators of the associations. They will also show how very difficult it is to collect funds for mission purposes, as nearly all of the churches not having all-time preaching are located in the country and mostly off the railroads. During the winter and early spring the roads in many parts are almost impassable. Many pastors and church officials coöperate with me most heartily in the securing of funds, and I am at work securing as fast as I can a good man to act as Associational Secretary in each association and a good person to act as Church Secretary in each church. In the securing of these helpers I am making good progress, considering the difficulties in the way, and also the fact that they receive no remuneration for their services, but work for the love of the cause.

In the financial statement there will be noted a falling off in central and southern Illinois. There are a number of reasons for this, among which are the following: the entire failure of the apple crop in the southern part of the State, a poor wheat crop in many sections, and the loss of large numbers of hogs with the cholera, the debt on the State Mission Board and on the Sunday-school Commission, an effort to raise endowment money for two colleges, and, not the least, a great revival of interest in Associational Missions and an effort on the part of many associations to support

a missionary within their own bounds. This ought not to be made an excuse, but was made one by many for not giving to outside objects as liberally as heretofore. Undoubtedly a severe attack of malarial fever, which came upon me at the beginning of the associational season, and which prevented me from attending any of the meetings during August and September, had its results, to some extent, in this shortage. I take pleasure, however, in calling attention to the gain of over 20 per cent made in Indiana on the income from churches, Sunday-schools, Baptist Young People's Unions, and personal contributions.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—IN INDIANA.

29 B. Y. P. Unions gave.....	\$ 89 40
31 Sunday-schools gave.....	125 43
56 personal gifts amounted to.....	488 78
295 churches gave.....	2,290 78
Total	<u>\$2,994 39</u>
Total last year.....	2,486 41
Gain this year.....	<u><u>\$507 98</u></u>

IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

7 Associational collections amounted to.....	\$20 36
2 Women's Societies gave.....	8 75
23 B. Y. P. Unions gave.....	86 27
22 Sunday-schools gave.....	101 92
91 personal gifts amounted to.....	710 25
197 churches gave.....	1,116 99
Total	<u>\$2,044 54</u>
Total last year.....	2,413 95
Loss this year.....	<u><u>\$369 41</u></u>

IN THE DISTRICT.

Total from all sources this year.....	\$6,408 93
Total from all sources last year.....	6,327 03
Increase this year.....	<u><u>\$81 90</u></u>
Total from churches last year.....	\$3,573 32
Total from churches this year.....	3,407 77
Decrease this year.....	<u><u>\$165 55</u></u>

Total from individuals this year.....	\$1,199 03
Total from individuals last year.....	855 70
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Increase this year.....	\$343 33
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Total from Sunday-schools last year.....	\$227 39
Total from Sunday-schools this year.....	227 35
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Decrease this year.....	\$ 04
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Total from Young People's Societies last year.....	\$194 81
Total from Young People's Societies this year.....	175 67
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Decrease this year.....	\$19 14
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Total contribution to Annuity Fund this year.....	\$1,370 00
Total contribution to Annuity Fund last year.....	526 67
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Increase this year.....	\$843 33
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My personal work is partially represented by the following: Addresses made, 109; sermons preached, 30; prayer-meetings attended, 16; other meetings attended, 29; churches visited, 65; associations attended personally, 4 (this number is so small on account of my sickness referred to above), and by proxy, 55; State Conventions attended, 2; was also present at the Anniversaries at Rochester; letters written, 3131; postals written, 511; miles traveled, personally and by a *few* of my representatives at the Associations, 13,629; copies of the Annual Report distributed, 238; copies of the *Home Mission Monthly* given away, 962; pages of other literature distributed, 265,388; mite-boxes sent out, 1900; number of personal calls made, 74; and number of personal visits, 93. I have secured 49 new subscribers to the *Home Mission Monthly* and 87 renewals.

CHICAGO DISTRICT: NORTHERN ILLINOIS AND WISCONSIN.

JUDSON B. THOMAS, D.D., CHICAGO, ILL., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

In reviewing the past year's work in this District, we find reason for encouragement. In comparing results of the year with those of former years, there is cause for gratitude. This year we have sent in to our missionary treasury \$13,277.24, while last year our total receipts were \$12,610.72. This is a gain of \$666.52. But this means more than appears on the surface. Our rental receipts have materially diminished. From this

source last year we received \$3534.99, while this year our properties have netted us only \$927.77, so that the increase in collections from the churches has been, by so much the more, satisfactory.

Some of the special difficulties of the year to be considered and overcome appear: (1) In frequent changes of the pastorates. Last fall in Wisconsin and this spring in Illinois there has been a perfect stampede in the pastorates. This produces confusion and great loss. Missionary causes are the first to suffer. Systematic work is broken into, and frequently new pastors make such entire changes in the working plans of the churches that much loss is sustained in the adjustment to new conditions. (2) The matter of property rentals was something over which, in the very nature of the case, we had no control, but it greatly perplexed just the same. (3) The long-continued prevalence of the "la-grippe" epidemic has seriously hindered church work in every department. This sickness has not been so fatal as in other years, but much more general, and has thus been a cause of interference and of anxiety. (4) The prolonged and unusually intense cold weather has depleted congregations and rendered traveling inconvenient, and at times dangerous. (5) The most important and peculiar difficulty of the year was the adoption of the wheel plan of benevolence in Wisconsin. This is the best and most advantageous way of building up systematic and proportionate giving in a State, but in its introduction there are difficulties to be overcome and adjustments to be made. The machinery has to be set going. There is necessarily slight friction at first, though assured smoothness and utility in the end. Our various secretaries have worked together in this matter with the most complete harmony, and we have reason to expect better things to follow.

But, over against the few difficulties there have been so many encouragements and delights that the year has been a constant pleasure. The cordial welcome of pastors and the deepening interest in home-mission work are causes of gratitude. The most general sympathy is expressed with the new work that has been taken up in Alaska, and in Cuba, and Porto Rico. The willingness and eagerness of the Society to enter these open doors have given new confidence in its management, and ought to add materially to its income.

The coöperation with the Chicago City Mission Society is adding stability and permanency to the work of that organization, and at the same time bringing more prominently and practically before the churches the vast and varied work of our Home Mission Society. In a very true sense the secret of national perpetuity lies in the solution of municipal control and evangelization. In thus inaugurating coöperation with city work, our Society has struck at the very root of things. Our churches growingly appreciate this. The better establishment of our mission churches in this district during the past year has been very marked. Three new, substantial buildings have been erected by our Swedish brethren at important

points. The work among our foreign population in general has been characterized by substantial growth. These churches are well manned, and are doing aggressive work. There are open doors among the foreign peoples that ought to be entered at once. Delay means loss to our cause, and eternal loss to the unsaved, who might have been reached had we but been alert and willing as a denomination and as individuals.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT: WISCONSIN, MINNESOTA, NORTH
DAKOTA, AND SOUTH DAKOTA.

O. A. WILLIAMS, D.D., MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The offerings of the churches in Wisconsin are sent to Rev. J. B. Thomas, D.D., Chicago, Ill. This report, therefore, includes only three States of this district. It should be stated here that two of these States and a large part of Minnesota are strictly Home Mission territory. In North Dakota there are but few self-supporting churches, while in Minnesota and South Dakota a large number still receive aid from the Home Mission Society.

The aim in this particular department of my work has been to present to the churches the manifold work carried on by our Society, to enlist their interest in it, to develop the spirit of benevolence for the work of Home Missions outside of the State, and to secure an offering from each church. While we have come far short of our ideal, something has been accomplished in the education of the churches. One particular difficulty is encountered in these coöperating States. The impression is prevalent among pastors and members of churches that money contributed to State Missions is also money contributed for Home Missions in the broader sense. We have not succeeded in convincing some that both these interests have their claims upon them. It is to be regretted that, owing to the discontinuance of a representative to present the claims of the Home Mission Society in their own tongue, there has been a decrease in the contributions of the Swedish Baptist churches in Minnesota from the sums reported in previous years. This certainly is not due to a lack of appreciation of what has been done by the Society, and will doubtless be remedied in the course of time.

The Baptist denomination in Minnesota and the Northwest suffered a great loss in the death of Hon. Geo. A. Pillsbury, whose interest in and support of missions, as well as of Christian education was hearty and liberal. Provision to the amount of \$5000 was made in his will for Home Missions.

The contributions of the year have been as follows:

MINNESOTA.

Churches contributing: American, 57; Swedish, 28; Dane-Nor., 7; total 92.

Total contributions from churches:

American	\$1,430 25
Swedish	178 31
Dane-Norwegian	55 67

Total	\$1,664 23
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Total contributions from individuals.....	187 50
“ “ from Women's Societies.....	17 35
“ “ from Young People's Societies.....	1 93
“ “ from Sunday-schools.....	11 20
“ “ for Permanent and Conditional Trust Funds	2,300 00

Total contributions.....	\$4,182 21
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Total contributions from legacies.....	700 00
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\$4,882 21

Total contributions last year.....	\$1,780 86
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Total contributions for Church-Edifice Fund, 1898.....	196 78
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SOUTH DAKOTA.

Churches contributing: American, 8; Scandinavian, 9; total, 17.

Total contributions from churches:

American	\$ 79 18
Scandinavian	72 78

Total	\$149 96
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Total contributions from individuals.....	27 00
“ “ from Women's Societies.....	20 00
“ “ from Young People's Societies.....	9 35

Total contributions.....	\$206 31
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Total contributions for last year:	\$136 23
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NORTH DAKOTA.

Churches contributing: American, 8; Scandinavian, 1; total, 9.

Total contributions from churches:

American	\$49 85
Scandinavian	5 00

Total	54 85
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Total contributions from individuals.....	1 73
“ “ from Young People’s Societies.....	1 50
“ “ from Sunday-schools.....	2 80

Total contributions.....	\$60 88
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Total contributions last year.....	\$96 58
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CENTRAL DISTRICT: IOWA, KANSAS, NEBRASKA, AND COLORADO.

REV. D. D. PROPER, DES MOINES, IOWA, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

During the past year one change has taken place in administration, whereby, Rev. N. B. Rairden, Superintendent of Missions, who has been doing District Secretary work in connection with Mission work, was assigned to the work of Superintendent of Missions for the Trans-Mississippi Division, and the writer was appointed District Secretary for the Central District comprising the States of Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, and Colorado. There are 1430 churches in this District, and it requires the time and labors of one man to represent, in any adequate manner, the Society’s work.

The past year has witnessed an increase in the amount of collections in all the States of this District.

In Iowa the work of taking separate collections apart from the Convention, is now quite well recognized and there is a steady increase each year. In Kansas and Nebraska this work was begun later, and it is not quite so well established as in Iowa, but there is a healthy increase in the number of churches coming to recognize the needs of the Society for this separate collection.

In Colorado this work of taking a separate collection apart from the Convention, has really just begun in most of the churches, and it is hoped that there may be a steady increase developed.

There is no question but what the churches of this District, which have so liberally shared in the benevolences of the Society, should come, and will come in due time, to recognize the great National work of the Society, and make annual offerings for it.

My term of service in this work began November 1st, so that I have had

only five months of work, and thus I have been able to visit only a part of the churches. As the representative of the Society, I have uniformly received a cordial reception by pastors and churches.

Plans of Systematic Beneficence have been adopted in all these States whereby certain periods of time are given the different divisions of the field for the consideration of the Home Mission work, in connection with the other benevolences.

During the five months I have performed the following work, *viz.*: Visited 66 churches to present the work of the Society, and 18 places to confer with pastors about the work, and to attend prayer-meetings; preached 58 sermons; gave 22 addresses; attended four State Conventions; one Association; one Missionary Conference; one Ministers' meeting; one Young People's Rally; sent out 3270 letters; 385 postal cards; traveled 14,481 miles, and distributed a large amount of literature.

The following table gives the financial record for the entire year, for these four States, not counting the Church Edifice contributions, which go through the channels of the State Conventions, which are all in coöperation with the Society.

IOWA.

	Apr. 1, '97, to Apr. 1, '98.	Apr. 1, '98, to Apr. 1, '99	Decrease.	Increase.
Churches and individuals	\$2,505 24	\$2,666 37		\$161 13
Y. P. Societies	64 16	55 63	\$8 53	
Sunday-school	204 32	300 91		96 59
Women's M. S.	25 27	13 70	11 57	
Legacies		142 15		142 15
Annuities		1,000 00		1,000 00
Total	\$2,798 99	\$4,178 76	20 10	\$1,399 87

KANSAS.

	Apr. 1, '97, to Apr. 1, '98.	Apr. 1, '98, to Apr. 1, '99.	Decrease.	Increase.
Churches and individuals	\$1,229 67	1,226 91	2 76	
Y. P. Societies	3 00	3 50		50
Sunday-school	10 47	59 41		48 94
Women's M. S.	19 00	2 80	16 20	
Legacies				
Total	\$1,262 14	\$1,292 62	\$18 96	\$49 44

NEBRASKA.

	Apr. 1, '97, to Apr. 1, '98.	Apr. 1, '98, to Apr. 1, '99.	Decrease.	Increase.
Churches and individuals	\$675 23	\$923 70		\$248 47
Y. P. Societies.	1 60	8 90		7 30
Sunday-school.....	15 18	15 29		11
Women's H. M. S.....	2 50	7 50		5 00
Legacies.....				
Total	\$694 51	\$955 39		\$250 88

COLORADO.

	Apr. 1, '97, to Apr. 1, '98.	Apr. 1, '98, to Apr. 1, '99.	Decrease.	Increase.
Churches and individuals.....	\$306 35	\$453 71		147 36
Y. P. Societies.....				
Sunday-school.....		25 60		25 60
Women's H. M. S.....				
Legacies.....				
Total.....	\$306 35	\$479 31		178 96

Total receipts from churches and individuals..... \$5,270 69
Total receipts from churches and individuals last year..... 4,716 49

Increase this year..... \$1,554 20
Total receipts from Young People's Societies..... \$68 03
Total receipts from Young People's Societies last year..... 68 76

Decrease this year..... \$ 73
Total receipts from Sunday-schools..... \$401 21
Total receipts from Sunday-schools last year..... 229 97

Increase this year..... \$171 24
Total receipts from Women's Societies..... \$24 00
Total receipts from Women's Societies last year..... 46 77

Decrease this year..... \$22 77

Total annuities.....	\$1,500 00
Total annuities last year.....	
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Increase this year.....	\$1,500 00
Total legacies.....	\$142 15
Total legacies last year.....	
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Increase this year.....	\$142 15
Total receipts from all sources.....	\$6,906 08
Total receipts from all sources last year.....	5,061 99
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Net increase this year.....	<u>\$2,344 09</u>

PACIFIC DISTRICT: WASHINGTON, OREGON, AND CALIFORNIA.

REV. C. A. WOODY, PORTLAND, OREGON, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The general conditions in my district, at the close of this year, are very much more favorable than for the past five years. The general financial condition of the Coast States has very materially improved during the year, and the general outlook for business prosperity is most hopeful. Crop prospects, at this writing, from Washington to Southern California, are brighter than for many years. The general condition of our work, in the five Conventions in this district, is better than for many years. More of our churches are supplied with pastors, a larger number of baptisms is reported, and a spirit of hopefulness and confidence is very marked. In Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, by generous increase of appropriations from the Society, the Convention work has been greatly strengthened and enlarged. In Western Washington several fields, regarded as very hopeless, a year ago, are now occupied, and in promising condition. Two of the most perplexing problems, of a year since, have lost their problematic character and the outlook is hopeful. An increased appropriation from the Society to Oregon has called for a like increase from the churches, which will tax their giving very severely this year. The Northern California Convention has been engaged in a serious effort to provide for all its indebtedness. This involved the giving by the churches of some \$3000 more than their usual contributions, which has precluded the giving of very large amounts to other objects. The Southern California Convention brought to a magnificent conclusion its effort to provide for its large debt.

I am pleased to report that there is a growing conviction in all parts of the field, that regular contributions to Home Missions as distinguished from Convention Missions, should be made by all the churches; but the habit of long years, of calling offerings made to the Convention treasury

Home Missions, is not easily changed, and many of the churches are greatly surprised to find that they have made no Home Mission offering at all; having supposed that their Convention offering was an offering to the Home Mission Society. Of course, this condition will change slowly, and the churches will gradually learn this distinction, and make their offerings accordingly. That the churches in this district are now giving annually about \$10,000 for Convention Mission work is an evidence that they are deeply interested in it.

The contributions for the past year from this district are as follows:

Fifty-two Churches gave.....	\$1,100 51
Twenty-five Sunday-Schools gave.....	54 40
Four Young People's Societies gave.....	13 10
Twenty-eight Individuals gave.....	213 50
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A total of.....	\$1,381 51

This is an increase over the last year of twenty-one contributing churches, fifteen contributing Sunday-schools, and four contributing Young People's Societies, and shows an increase in contribution for the general work of the Society of about 100 per cent.; since more than one-half the amount reported last year belonged to the joint-debt fund. The very generous offering of the First Church, Los Angeles, of nearly \$350, is worthy of special mention, both on account of its liberality, and as an example, which other large churches in the district may well follow. In addition to the amounts above reported, it seems to me only fitting that mention should be made of the \$42,388.18 annuity funds released to the work of the Society, by the death of Mrs. M. M. Gray of Oakland, Cal., and the addition of \$1000 to the Permanent Trust Funds of the Society, from the same source.

Uniting these amounts with the amounts contributed by the living, the total amount from this district during the year has been \$44,758.69.

My personal labors during the year may be briefly summed up as follows: Churches visited, 32; Associations, 14; other meetings attended, 20; weeks of service, 52; sermons, 17; addresses delivered, 53; prayer-meetings attended, 55; pages of tracts distributed, 16,000 Paid for traveling expenses, \$250.00; for postage, \$13.30; stationery and printing, \$35.52; miles traveled, 21,081; letters written, 387.

I am glad to report cordial coöperation of all the General Missionaries in the district, and also that of pastors and other brethren, in all parts of the field. I cannot close the report without mentioning the great loss which this field has suffered in the death, last February, of Dr. H. C. Woods, our General Superintendent for the Rocky Mountain Division. Our annual gatherings, and, indeed, all the work of the Society in the

district, will miss his presence and helpfulness, but the memory of his life and service among us will be an inspiration for years to come.

KANAWHA DISTRICT: WEST VIRGINIA.

W. E. POWELL, D.D., PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The conditions for collecting money in this district during the last year have not been as favorable as hoped for one year ago.

While the grazing districts were well stocked during the last year, it was done at very high prices, and but little of this stock has yet been placed on the market; so that the stock-men and farmers generally have found the last year a very close one financially; but it is now expected that much of this stock will be sold during the present year, and this will put into circulation much more money among our country churches.

There has been a very healthy growth of interest and sympathy for the Society and its work during the last year, as indicated by the many calls for literature and the many questions asked about legacies and annuities, and for the first time in the history of the Society it has received a legacy for more than \$10,000 from West Virginia.

The following table will indicate the sources of receipts:

Total contribution from 285 churches.....	\$1.126 20
Total contributions from 14 individuals.....	234 76
Total contributions from 26 Sunday-schools.....	112 20
Total contribution from 1 Woman's Mission Circle.....	3 00
Total contributions from 2 legacies.....	10.724 01
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Total contributions from all sources.....	\$12.200 17

PERSONAL WORK.

Weeks of service, 52; churches visited, 79; associations attended, 18; other public meetings held and attended, 30; sermons preached, 85; addresses made, 137; prayer-meetings attended, 87; religious visits made, 287; pages of tracts distributed, 102,800; Sunday-schools organized, 2; assisted in the dedication of 9 church-edifices; secured at these dedications, \$4927; saved two good church-houses, which were about to be sold for debts; I have collected in cash for the Society, \$12,200.17; and for the *Home Mission Monthly*, \$9; paid for traveling expenses, \$342.55; postage, \$53.00; stationery, \$5.18; expressage and telegrams, \$6.25; traveled, 9875 miles; written 3455 letters; and 1045 postal-cards.

I have given much attention to the cultivation of the spirit of benevolence, not only in the churches in a general way, but especially as to gifts

by legacies and annuities, and from these last-named sources we have the promise of generous returns.

The work done by our 12 missionaries in this State during the last year has been very satisfactory and far reaching in its influence. The demands of the field were never so great and pressing and the outlook was never so promising as at this time.

II. MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

The details of the various missionary operations for the year will be found set forth with some fulness in the reports of the various Superintendents of Missions and General Missionaries. It may be said in general that the year has been one of normal progress.

I. WESTERN MISSIONS.

The most notable feature of the western field is the improved financial situation. The panic of 1893, together with the widespread drought and low price of grain, brought upon the Western States generally almost unparalleled hardships. The churches suffered immensely; many meeting-houses were closed entirely; some churches became disorganized; pastors were obliged to leave their fields for lack of support, and there was widespread distress and discouragement. In the greater portion of the field all this has been changed. Abundant rains have fallen; enormous harvests have been gathered; business has returned to its usual channels, churches have taken courage; meeting-houses have been reopened; pastors recalled; church-debts reduced, and a general spirit of hopefulness is apparent. This condition is very gratifying, but while it brings hope to our workers and relief to our treasury, it necessarily involves extension and increased demands upon us for aid in occupying new fields and in keeping pace with the vast tide of immigration again setting in toward the West.

The one notable exception to this condition of things seems to be Southern California, which has entered upon a second year of severe drought which seems to be largely paralyzing all industries and sadly interrupting missionary operations.

Utah calls just now for increased vigor in all missionary

activities. The Mormons are showing unusual zeal in their missionary work and are aggressive at every point, seeking not only to retain their supremacy in Utah but to grasp the balance of power in Idaho, Wyoming, and other States and Territories. We regret very much that a lack of funds forbids large additions to our aggressive missionary workers in that very important field.

2. MISSIONS AMONG THE FOREIGN PEOPLES.

The most notable feature of missionary work among the foreign populations during the past year has been the steady growth of the Italian work. There are now well-established missions among these people at Barre, Vt., Boston, Mass., Providence, R. I., Stamford, Conn., New York City and Buffalo, N. Y., and Newark and Orange, N. J. The progress is slow, but steady and full of hope.

3. PORTO RICO AND CUBA.

By an agreement between the representatives of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, formulated in the Conference in Washington, D. C., November, 1898, Porto Rico and the two Eastern Provinces of Cuba were designated as the sphere of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and steps were immediately taken to occupy it. By a singular Providence, three able men, of many years' experience in missionary work among Roman Catholic people in Mexico, each with a practical mastery of the Spanish tongue, were found available for the work in the West Indies. Rev. H. P. McCormick, assisted by Miss Ida Hayes, a woman of rare accomplishments and decided individuality, is at work in San Juan as a center, from which he reaches out to cities in the northern part of the island. Rev. A. B. Rudd will enter upon his work in Ponce at an early day. Rev. Dr. H. R. Moseley was at work for two months in Eastern Cuba as General Missionary, and, after a temporary absence to close up his affairs at home, will return to Santiago for permanent service. It is hoped that the Society will be able to occupy at least five important centers, viz.: Santiago,

Guantanamo, Holguin, Puerto Principe, and Manzanillo. Rev. James T. McGovern has been transferred from the City of Mexico, and is temporarily at work in Santiago, Cuba; his permanent place of labor not having been yet determined. Rev. W. E. DeClaybrook has been selected to labor at Guantanamo. Other appointments will be made as soon as qualified missionaries can be found. Your Board has felt it important to insist upon a practical acquaintance with the Spanish tongue as an essential prerequisite to appointment.

From personal inspection of Eastern Cuba the Corresponding Secretary is able to report that there is a wide-open door for Protestant missions in that island. The great mass of the Cuban people have been thoroughly alienated from the Roman Catholic Church and joyously welcome the coming of Protestant missions. There is already a church of 150 members at Santiago; another of 50 members at Guantanamo. An annual expenditure in these two islands of a sum equivalent to that expended for a few years past in Oklahoma Territory will undoubtedly produce very gratifying results. God, in His good providence has brought these islands within the sphere of influence of the United States, opened them to Protestantism, and seems to be laying upon the Baptists special responsibilities and privileges.

4. RELATIONS WITH OTHER SOCIETIES.

Every year brings to the Society new subjects for consideration, new work of some sort to be undertaken, new problems for solution, readjustments of its relations to some other organization, the adoption of new measures for the more efficient prosecution of its work. Few have been the years when more special matters have taxed the thought of those charged chiefly with the administration of the Society's affairs than the last. There have been two formal conferences between representatives of this Society and those of the Missionary Union; one with representatives of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; and one with representatives of the American Baptist Publica-

tion Society. Some of these were preceded, accompanied, or followed by painstaking effort to arrive at just and proper conclusions. In all of these Conferences there was displayed a delightful Christian spirit, even though on some points, naturally enough, there were decided differences of opinion. In all instances harmonious conclusions were reached.

CONFERENCES WITH MISSIONARY UNION.

In November a Conference was held in New Haven, Conn., between representatives of this Society and of the Missionary Union, particularly to consider the relations of these societies to each other in the prosecution of missionary work in the new countries that had become a part of our national domain or were under our protectorate. It was decided that Porto Rico, Cuba, and the Hawaiian Islands shall be regarded as Home-Mission territory, and the Philippine Islands as Foreign-Mission territory.

The second Conference, called at the request of representatives of the Missionary Union, had reference to methods of the societies in the presentation of their work to the churches and to the right development of the spirit of beneficence among the churches, including young people's organizations. The conclusions were essentially as follows:

That all representatives of the two societies should seek to develop an intelligent, sympathetic, and abiding interest in the work of both societies;

That the churches be recommended to have fixed periods each year for the several objects of Christian beneficence.

That the young people be recommended to conform their plans of beneficence, so far as practicable, to those of the churches with which they are connected and to transmit their offerings through the treasuries of the churches to the various societies;

That while recognizing the liberty of donors to designate their offerings, and while the societies occasionally may find it necessary to make appeals for special purposes, it is wiser as a rule for donors to leave their offerings undesignated and trust to the wisdom of the administration of the societies.

CONFERENCE WITH SOUTHERN BOARD.

On November 23, 1898, a Conference was held in the City of Washington, D. C., between representatives of this Society and those of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention to determine the relations of these bodies to each other in work in Cuba and Porto Rico. The Committee from the Southern Board consisted of Revs. Henry McDonald, F. H. Kerfoot, W. W. Landrum, T. P. Bell, S. Y. Jameson, and Hon. Joshua Levering; the Committee from this Society being Revs. T. J. Morgan, B. L. Whitman, A. S. Hobart, S. H. Greene, and H. L. Morehouse. It was unanimously agreed that "The American Baptist Home Mission Society should prosecute its work in the island of Porto Rico, and in the two eastern provinces of Cuba; while the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention should prosecute its work in the remaining provinces of the island of Cuba."

At this Conference other matters were considered, chief of which was the unhappy state of things in Indian and Oklahoma Territories, in consequence of efforts made to divide Baptists into separate organizations based on sectional affiliations. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Conference that there should be harmony among the Baptist workers in the Indian Territory and Oklahoma, and we recommend that the Secretaries of the Home Mission Board, and of the Home Mission Society, be requested to visit these Territories and seek a basis for such harmony, with authority to associate with themselves brethren from neighboring States as advisers.

Soon thereafter correspondence was opened with the Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board to ascertain when the visit to the Territories should be made. In reply to that and subsequent communications he has stated his inability to go, at the same time expressing his doubts about the desirability or value of the proposed visit, and finally announcing that in his judgment the only solution of the question is for the Home Mission Society to withdraw its missionary force from the Territory and that

Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Arizona should be surrendered to the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Reply was made that the Home Mission Society after fifty years' work in that region and the expenditure of a half-million dollars, or about ten times the expenditure of the Home Mission Board, is not prepared to consent to such an arrangement; and a plan of coöperation between the two organizations in their work in those Territories was submitted for consideration. Negotiations were abruptly terminated by the brief reply of the Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board that further correspondence on the subject is undesirable.

The Home Mission Society believes that there should be but one Convention for Indian Territory and one for Oklahoma Territory; that sectional lines there should be ignored, and that a plan of coöperation that shall unify and harmonize the discordant elements is both feasible and imperatively demanded.

CONFERENCE WITH THE PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

A joint committee from the American Baptist Home Mission Society, consisting of Stephen Greene, T. J. Morgan, H. L. Morehouse, Alvah S. Hobart, W. C. P. Rhoades, C. B. Canfield, E. J. Brockett and W. H. P. Faunce; and from the American Baptist Publication Society, consisting of Samuel A. Crozer, A. J. Rowland, R. G. Seymour, J. Howard Gendell, Wayland Hoyt, George E. Rees and B. F. Dennisson, met February 2, 1899, in Philadelphia, for the purpose of so defining the work of each that in the future there should be as little overlapping of work as possible, either in fact or in the estimation of the public; and in order that each may cooperate cordially with the other in carrying on work for Christ.

It was mutually agreed that the duties of these societies should be as follows:

First: That the American Baptist Home Mission Society shall continue its distinctive work of preaching the Gospel, organizing churches and Sunday-schools in connection therewith, settling

pastors, building meeting-houses, employing missionaries, and conducting educational work among the Freedmen, Indians, Mexicans, etc., as heretofore.

Second: That the American Baptist Publication Society shall continue its distinctive work as the Publishing and Bible Society of our denomination, and also its distinctive work of organizing and establishing Sunday-schools and employing colporteurs.

Third: That the American Baptist Publication Society, in continuing its Chapel Car service, shall so far work in coöperation with the Home Mission Society as to consult with the General or District Missionaries of that Society in regard to fields to be visited, and to refer, as far as practicable, to these Missionaries the baptism of converts, the organization of churches, the settling of pastors and the building of meeting-houses.

Fourth: That in appeals for contributions each Society shall emphasize its own specific and distinctive work.

MISSIONARY SUMMARY.

The following presents a summary exhibit of the missionary operations of the Society:

The whole number of laborers, missionaries and teachers supported wholly or in part by the Society has been 1092.

These have been distributed as follows: In the New England States, 43; in the Middle and Central States, 84; in the Southern States, 201; in the Western States and Territories, 722; in the Canadian Dominion, 17; in Mexico, 19; in Alaska, 2; in Cuba, 2; in Porto Rico, 2. French missionaries have wrought in 6 States; Scandinavian missionaries, in 24 States and Manitoba; German missionaries, in 20 States and Canada; colored missionaries, in 19 States and Territories.

Among the foreign population there have been 300 missionaries and 12 teachers; among the colored people, 55 and 190; the Indians, 22 and 27; the Mexicans, 13 and 8, respectively; among the Mormons, 2 teachers, and among Americans, 504 missionaries.

The Society aids in the maintainance of 31 schools established

for the colored people, the Indians and the Mexicans. There are 8 day schools for the Chinese, and other day schools as follows: 1 in Utah and 1 in New Mexico; in all 41.

The particular distribution of these laborers is as follows:

Maine.....	1	S. C.....	18	Mo.....	7	Cal.....	64
N. H.....	3	Ga.....	42	Neb.....	44	Ore.....	33
Mass.....	23	Fla.....	5	Ind. Ter....	63	Wash.....	48
R. I.....	4	Ala.....	8	Oklahoma....	40	Manitoba....	4
Conn.....	11	Miss.....	14	Kans.....	57	Br. Colum..	8
N. Y.....	22	La.....	6	S. Dakota....	46	Alberta.....	2
N. J.....	14	Ark.....	5	N. Dakota..	34	Ontario.....	3
Pa.....	8	Tex.....	27	Mont.....	14	Assiniboia...	1
Del.....	5	Ohio.....	5	Wyom.....	8	Mexico.....	19
D. C.....	20	Mich.....	17	Colo.....	36	Alaska.....	2
Va.....	27	Ind.....	3	New Mex....	10	Cuba.....	2
W. Va.....	15	Ill.....	32	Ariz.....	4	Porto Rico...	2
Ky.....	13	Wis.....	46	Utah.....	7		
Tenn.....	18	Minn.....	53	Nevada.....	1	Total.....	1,092
N. C.....	18	Iowa.....	35	Idaho.....	15		

CLASSIFIED TABLE OF MISSIONARIES, ETC., OF THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME
MISSION SOCIETY—FROM 1871 TO 1899, INCLUSIVE.

YEAR.	† Total No. Missionaries and Teachers.	MISSIONARIES.								SCHOOLS.			Ch. Edifices Erected.
		Among Americans.	Among Germans.	Among Scandinavians.	Among French.	Among Mexicans.	Among Indians.	Among Freedmen.†	Among Chinese.	Number.	Teachers.	Scholars.	
1871....	352	149	25	15	4	3	10	73	3	7	20	—	31
1872....	424	265	29	14	7	4	7	75	4	7	19	831	38
1873....	435	289	29	6	6	3	7	68	2	7	25	695	36
1874....	350	230	38	9	8	1	8	13	2	7	21	670	77
1875....	334	219	40	12	6	1	6	28	4	7	26	795	22
1876*....	260	128	54	10	6	1	11	17	2	7	31	848	18
1877....	230	109	37	10	4	1	13	15	—	7	41	871	13
1878....	215	100	32	11	4	—	12	19	1	8	36	1,056	24
1879....	236	108	32	15	4	—	10	21	2	8	44	1,041	10
1880....	281	158	36	18	5	—	9	15	2	8	38	1,191	6
1881....	392	209	40	30	6	—	11	21	3	11	872	1,649	16
1882....	513	202	46	41	6	2	12	21	1	13	889	2,151	66
1883....	607	358	51	40	9	4	8	23	2	14	8112	2,576	97
1884....	636	359	52	53	10	6	15	23	1	17	8126	3,090	106
1885....	695	356	65	62	9	8	14	31	1	17	149	3,182	113
1886....	669	319	72	69	10	10	13	27	2	17	147	3,326	62
1887....	671	319	75	64	11	13	14	14	3	18	158	3,113	62
1888....	733	355	68	74	12	14	18	20	4	18	165	3,661	88
1889....	781	374	69	87	14	15	21	23	5	20	170	3,406	70
1890....	824	391	68	99	15	13	19	27	5	21	184	5,081	87
1891....	938	443	69	114	15	15	24	31	6	26	216	6,163	88
1892....	1053	505	70	126	15	18	21	31	5	27	256	6,687	121
1893....	1082	524	72	123	17	31	17	35	7	35	246	5,493	110
1894....	1111	479	81	124	19	26	35	42	8	36	293	5,053	84
1895....	1100	512	69	139	25	17	24	43	8	52	257	5,794	89
1896....	1147	524	66	146	24	20	23	43	4	53	287	5,876	93
1897....	1064	462	63	149	25	17	17	47	7	44	267	5,900	91
1898....	1030	477	62	141	22	12	21	46	7	43	230	5,524	95
1899....	1092	494	82	136	19	13	22	55	12	41	239	5,500	61

* The plan of coöperation in the States of New York, Michigan, and Illinois terminated in 1875, and 73 missionaries in these States were transferred to the care of their respective State conventions.

† Not including secretaries and agents.

‡ The decrease of missionaries among the Freedmen after 1873 is largely accounted for by the fact that students were no longer commissioned as teachers and missionaries during their summer vacations.

§ Including about ten teachers of government day schools in Indian Territory.

|| Not reported.

Also in 1888-90, 1892-97: Among Poles, 1; among Bohemians, 1. In 1898-99: Among Poles, 3; among Bohemians, 1. In 1891: Among Poles, 2 and Bohemians 3. In 1897-8: Among Poles, 2 and Bohemians 1. In 1888-92-3, 1895: Among Welsh, 1. In 1889-90, 1894-99: Among Portuguese, 1. In 1891-95, 1897-99: Among Finns, 1, and in 1896, 2. In 1895: Among Italians, 1; 1896-7, 3; 1897-98; 1898-9, 8. In 1896-9: Among Jews, 1. In 1897-9: Among Armenians, 1. In 1898-9: Among Japanese, 1. In 1898: Among Latish, 1. In 1898-9: Among Hollanders, 2.

Number of Laborers.....	1,092
Weeks of Labor.....	37,405
Churches and Out-Stations Supplied.....	1,807
Sermons Preached.....	86,744
Prayer-Meetings Attended.....	43,325
Religious Visits Made.....	244,513
Bibles and Testaments Distributed.....	8,374
Pages of Tracts Distributed.....	2,380,078
Received by Baptism.....	3,325
Received by Letter and Experience.....	4,030
Total Church Membership.....	52,755
Churches Organized.....	57
Sunday-schools under Care of Missionaries.....	1,151
Attendance at Sunday-schools.....	72,968
Benevolent Contributions Reported.....	\$87,781.94

RESULTS OF SIXTY-SEVEN YEARS.

Number of Commissions to Missionaries and Teachers.....	23,058
Weeks of Service Reported.....	818,406
*Sermons Preached.....	2,028,823
*Prayer-Meetings Attended.....	1,101,638
*Religious Visits to Families and Individuals.....	5,129,406
Persons Baptized.....	158,919
Churches Organized.....	5,311

*During last fifty-eight years.

SUPERINTENDENTS AND GENERAL MISSIONARIES.

The following is the list of the Superintendents and General Missionaries the past year:

Trans-Mississippi Division—Rev. N. B. Rairden, Omaha, Neb.
 Upper Mississippi District—O. A. Williams, D.D., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Wisconsin—Rev. D. W. Hulburt, Wauwatosa.
 Minnesota—Rev. E. R. Pope, Minneapolis.
 Iowa—Rev. E. P. Bartlett, Des Moines.
 South Dakota—T. M. Shanafelt, D.D., Huron.
 Nebraska—Rev. F. M. Williams, Lincoln.
 Kansas—Rev. E. B. Meredith, Topeka.
 Oklahoma Territory—Rev. L. J. Dyke, Oklahoma City.
 Montana, Utah, South Idaho, and Wyoming—Rev. L. G. Clark, Helena, Mont.

Colorado and New Mexico—Rev. J. W. Crooks, Denver.

East Washington and North Idaho—Rev. A. M. Allyn, Spokane, Wash.

Washington—Rev. W. E. Randall, Tacoma.

Oregon—Rev. Gilman Parker, 175 Fourth street, Portland.

Northern California—Rev. Robert Whitaker, Oakland.

Southern California and Arizona—Rev. C. T. Douglass, Pasadena.

Indian Territory—J. S. Murrow, D.D., Atoka; Daniel Rogers, D.D., Muscogee.

The French—Rev. J. N. Williams, 22 Arch street, Providence, R. I.

The Germans—Rev. G. A. Schulte, 320½ Webster avenue, Jersey City Heights, N. J.

THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI DIVISION: IOWA, NEBRASKA, KANSAS,
MISSOURI, OKLAHOMA, INDIAN TERRITORY, COLORADO,
NEW MEXICO, UTAH AND WYOMING.

REV. N. B. RAIRDEN, OMAHA, NEB., GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

Quite a number of changes have been made in the organization of our work in the West during the past year. One year ago I reported as Superintendent of Missions and District Secretary for the Central District, which was composed of the States of Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Indian Territory. Early in the year, Colorado and New Mexico were added to the District.

In view of the very large amount of work necessary to be done in the development of the churches, in their contributions to the Society, as well as to the organization of the mission work, it was found expedient to organize a Collection District, composed of the States of Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and Colorado, and Rev. D. D. Proper, then General Missionary for Colorado, was appointed District Secretary, which District retained the old name of the "Central District."

The Trans-Mississippi Division was then organized to include the ten States of Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska and Kansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, and Utah. The organization and general supervision of our missionary work in this great field is sufficient to tax the ability and strength of any man.

The number of missionaries in this Division during the past year has been, in round numbers, 300, and the amount of money expended in various departments of the Society's missionary, church edifice and educational work approximates \$100,000.

The importance of the field cannot be overestimated. Every one of these States is to be an empire of power. Agricultural and mineral resources are being rapidly developed. The number of missionary workers ought to be greatly increased in every one. Twenty-eight distinct nation-

alities are represented in the population of this Division. The pure gospel is, and must continue to be, the great evangelizing and naturalizing power. We have nothing to fear from the rapid influx of population from any source, if we do our duty in the matter of speedy and vigorous efforts for their evangelization. The whole Western country seems to be entering upon an unprecedented era of prosperity. Trains are now being taxed to their utmost capacity to bring people from the East and from other lands into this great region. To make adequate provision for their religious needs is the imperative duty of our Baptist people.

Money expended now will be as "bread cast upon the waters" which will return not many days hence. Every consideration impels us to enlarged and more efficient methods of evangelization. Men, who are now laying foundations for large fortunes, if reached by the Gospel, will, in the future, be constrained to devote large sums to the advancement of the Kingdom of our Lord.

IOWA.

This State is rapidly assuming self-support and after October 31, 1900, will assume entire responsibility for the missionary work within its bounds. The State Convention is laying wise plans for the future. The appropriation the present year is \$250 less than the preceding year for missionary work, being only \$1000.

In Church Edifice work in the State, the Convention and Society share equally in all gifts to churches.

Rev. E. P. Bartlett continues as Secretary and General Missionary. The year closed November 1st, with a debt of several hundred dollars, which has since been provided for. The membership now reaches a total of 40,000.

It was thought wise at the Convention meeting in October to reduce the number of District Missionaries from four to two. Rev. M. J. Sigler has done faithful work in the eastern half of the State and Rev. J. M. Jones in the western.

MISSOURI.

My relation to this State has reference simply to the general supervision of our work among the negroes. Rev. H. N. Bouey continues as General Missionary for the State and has done excellent work during the year. Much of his time has been given to the interests of the school at Macon. Rev. John Goins has continued as District Missionary and has done very satisfactory work. "New Era Institutes" are being held in every Association in the State. Missouri has a system of its own in the collection of funds for both Home and Foreign Missions. Rev. Dr. M. J. Breaker, as Secretary, has charge of all contributions for both objects. He is a wise and faithful leader and is gradually developing the resources of the

State for these objects. It is confidently expected that the receipts of the Society will be largely increased by the general advancement of contributions.

KANSAS.

Our work in Kansas has made steady progress during the past year. Rev. E. B. Meredith continues as Secretary of the State Convention and General Missionary. More than \$30,000 of church property have been saved to the denomination during the past year, largely through his efforts. The State is fast regaining its former prosperity, and our Baptist people are sharing in this. The State itself is gradually assuming the responsibility for carrying on its mission work, the appropriations from the Society being decreased at the rate of \$500 per year. It is hoped and expected that the mission work in the State will be enlarged and receive increased support from the State itself. Two District Missionaries have been employed during the year: Rev. William Wilber for the southwestern part of the State and Rev. J. R. Rairden for the northwestern.

NEBRASKA.

This State has made less progress in the past year than the States surrounding it. This has been due, in a large measure, to the great exodus of pastors from the State during the years of depression. There seems to be now, however, a much more helpful spirit and many churches formerly pastorless have been supplied. Rev. F. M. Williams has continued as Secretary of the Convention and General Missionary, and appropriations to the State from the Society are being decreased at the rate of \$500 per year. It is confidently expected and believed that there will be a large increase in the strength of our denomination in the State.

At the Convention in October two District Missionaries were appointed: Rev. S. C. Green for the northern half of the State and Rev. L. W. Terry for the southern half, and the work is being prosecuted with vigor. It has taken Nebraska longer to recuperate from the depression of a few years ago than her sister States.

COLORADO.

Rev. D. D. Proper served this State as Secretary and General Missionary until November 1st, when he became District Secretary of the Society. Rev. John W. Crooks was unanimously elected to this position. Through the generosity of the Society in making an additional appropriation and gift of \$500 for District Missionary work, Rev. F. L. Rozelle was appointed District Missionary November 1st and immediately began his work. Upon his removal to Denver, however, the fact developed that his

family could not live in that high altitude, and he has been obliged to resign after doing most excellent work for something over four months.

Brother Crooks has already shown admirable adaptation to the General Missionary work of the State. Almost every church he has visited has shown largely increased contributions. Any one becoming familiar with the State is impressed with the marvelous possibilities of the near future. Great development has been made in agriculture, stock-raising, fruit-raising and mining. Colorado is sure to become one of the richest States in the Union. We ought to largely increase our efforts to plant the Gospel in every one of the growing centers which are now springing up. The present appropriation for missions from the Society is \$4500. To adequately meet the present development of the State we ought to have at least ten to twelve thousand dollars per year for the next five years. Between six and seven thousand dollars have been appropriated by the Society to Church Edifice work in the past year. Unfortunately, a number of the churches have been greatly burdened with debt, which has hindered their own development and also prevented them from doing a large share in the support of the mission work of the State. These debts are being gradually reduced, however, and it is confidently believed that the denomination is entering upon a period of large growth.

OKLAHOMA.

Rev. L. J. Dyke has continued his work as General Missionary throughout the year and his work has been very efficient. The appropriation for the present year has been \$9000 for mission work. This is one of the fields where we have measurably met our responsibility as a denomination, and the result has been that our Baptist churches are more numerous and more efficient than those of any other denomination. The Territory is being rapidly developed. When we consider that the people but a few years ago, came here with little or no resources, it is marvelous to see what has already been accomplished, but results have not been realized without great sacrifice on the part of the people. Many have given liberally toward building a house for the Lord, while they, themselves, lived in dug-outs or mere shanties.

Rev. L. H. Holt, District Missionary, is doing much toward unifying and organizing the negro Baptists, of whom there are already a large number.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

At the beginning of the year, it was thought best to appoint two District Missionaries and in the interests of economy to get along during the year without a General Missionary. Dr. J. S. Murrow, whose praise is in all the churches, was appointed District Missionary for the southern half of the Territory and Rev. Dr. Daniel Rogers for the northern. These

brethren have done excellent work during the year and real progress has been made in most of the fields. An effort has been made to bring about coöperation in some form between the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Home Mission Society, in both Indian Territory and Oklahoma, but this, so far, has failed.

It is earnestly hoped that some plan may be devised by which unity and harmony may be brought about. Should it be impossible to bring about coöperation the Society will probably consent to enter into organic co-operation with the local Territorial Convention, which has sought such coöperation for several years past.

NEW MEXICO.

Work in New Mexico has been prosecuted in connection with Colorado and under the same General Missionary. We have one mission among the Mexicans, that at Velarde, conducted by Rev. W. H. Rishel and wife, who are conducting a school and doing mission work as the opportunity offers. The Lord has given them the confidence of Mexicans for miles around, and it is confidently believed that, ere long, the superstition which has so firmly held these people will give away. Many of these Mexicans are deeply interested and send their children to the school and attend religious services themselves, in spite of the protests and threats of excommunication hurled at them by the priests.

I believe the time is ripe for an aggressive movement in New Mexico. If possible, we ought to have a trained and experienced Mexican Missionary to work among the Mexicans, while important centers throughout the territory ought to be taken and held. The development of the State has been and will be slower than States surrounding, largely on account of the conservative character of the population. However, new railroads are being built and many others projected, and we ought to anticipate the coming centers of population and plant the truth in every one of them. It is very important that a District Missionary should be appointed to this field very soon.

WYOMING.

This State, being so largely mountainous and so inadequately supplied with railroads, has comparatively few centers of population. The interior of the State is largely given up to stock-raising. However, the coal interests, both in the northwest and in the south, are being rapidly developed. The Big Horn Basin will, undoubtedly, be a rich, agricultural country when properly irrigated. We already have three small churches in this valley. Other churches in important centers being Sheridan, Cheyenne, Laramie and Evanston. There are at least six other points where churches ought to be established in the near future, some of them

with a population of several thousand, and without any evangelical churches or services of any kind.

UTAH.

Rev. L. G. Clark, formerly General Missionary for Southern Idaho and Montana, has had his field extended to include also Wyoming and Utah. Already his able and wise leadership is being felt among the churches in these two latter States.

Utah has about 250,000 population. Of these, about 100,000 are in Ogden, Salt Lake City, and Provo, where we have missions which are being vigorously prosecuted. The great obstacle in the way of evangelization is the power of the Mormon organization. Mormonism is practically what it has always been and polygamy is undoubtedly practised, though more secretly than heretofore. Since Statehood, it has put on a much bolder front. However, that the Gospel can reach the Mormons is shown by the fact that there have been seventy-five baptized into the First Church of Salt Lake, between thirty and forty into the Provo church, and some ten or twelve in the East Side Church, Salt Lake. These converts have been either themselves active Mormons or else come from Mormon families and Mormon surroundings. Here, as everywhere else, the pure Gospel is the one panacea for superstition and sin the one corrective for all false doctrine.

We ought to enlarge our work in Utah. We have a good house of worship in Mercur, furnished and ready for occupancy, but the funds of the Society have not warranted the appointment of a missionary for that important field. There are now 5000 people in and around Mercur, within a few miles, and no religious service of any kind, unless it is a small Mormon Sunday-school. Other places, from 1000 to 3000, were visited by myself, recently, which were wholly without religious privileges of any kind. The mining towns have few Mormon people in them. Wise, persistent, consecrated men of God are needed in every town and village of Utah.

THE INDIANS.

Our work among the Indians the past year has been very encouraging. There have been conversions and frequent baptisms among the Cheyennes, Kiowas, Wichitas, and Comanches, among the wild tribes.

A new mission has been opened among the Arapahoes. Too much cannot be said of the faithful work being done by our missionaries among all these tribes, but their numbers ought to be increased. Other tribes are calling for the Gospel.

PERSONAL SERVICES.

The first two months of the year were spent in the East with a party of Indians from our Missions. On this trip we visited 61 churches; in all, I have visited 175 churches; attended 22 Associations; dedication of 6 meeting-houses; preached 153 sermons; delivered 103 addresses; attended 128 prayer-meetings; made 513 religious visits; traveled 42,718 miles; traveling expenses, \$372.72; paid for postage, expressage, telegrams, etc., \$209.10; paid for stationery, \$62.60; for stenographer and office help, \$219.85; for office rent, \$65.

Total expense, \$1018.27. Of this, \$108.07 were paid for traveling, postage, and other expenses of special representatives in the different Associations, leaving my personal expenses \$910.10. It will be understood that this included all expenses of both the District Secretary work and the Superintendence of Missions, to October 31st. Rev. D. D. Proper, who took charge of the District Secretary work, November 1st, will report the entire collections of the year. His report will show a very satisfactory increase in the contributions from this field.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT: WISCONSIN, MINNESOTA, NORTH
DAKOTA, AND SOUTH DAKOTA.

O. A. WILLIAMS, D.D., MINNEAPOLIS, SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS.

The geographical area of the district is the same as it was one year ago. It is only, however, as one becomes acquainted with it that its vastness can be realized and its exhaustless resources can be even imperfectly known. What its future will be may be in some measure predicted by its marvelous development in the past. The Home Mission Society began its operations in the older portions of this district about the same time as on the Pacific Coast, where its sixty-seventh anniversary will be held. It is, therefore, fitting that the Baptists of the extreme North of our vast domain should send their greetings to their brethren of the extreme West.

Work had been carried on in Wisconsin but seven years when, in 1844, the pioneer missionaries of the Society made their long and weary journey to Oregon. Five years later, in 1849, work was begun in the Territory of Minnesota, which at the time had a population of 6000. The vast region which to-day constitutes the fast growing States of North and South Dakota had then scarcely a white settler within its borders. To-day the estimated population of the district is 4,500,000, and in certain portions, especially in Northern Minnesota and Northern North Dakota, it is rapidly increasing. Last season it was estimated that one thousand families, mostly Dunkards, settled in the neighborhood of Devil's Lake, N. D. The indications are that the influx this year will be even larger than last. One day in the last week in March, 1899, a company of Dunk-

ards passed through St. Paul on their way to the same country, requiring 45 passenger cars and 184 freight cars. These are veritable home-seekers, and the best material possible for the building up of a new country. Something may be judged of the rapid development of this district from the fact that previous to 1860 no wheat had been shipped from the Northwest; but three years ago, according to the statement of its president, the Great Northern alone carried 65,000,000 bushels. The elevator capacity of only three cities in this district, Minneapolis, Duluth, and West Superior, is 55,000,000 bushels. South Dakota ranks third among the States of the Union in its production of gold, while the iron ores of Northern Minnesota are the richest in the country and are worked on a large scale.

RELIGIOUS CONDITIONS.

The predominance of Roman Catholic and Lutheran influence in this district makes the work of the missionary a hard one. The immigrant in his new home clings with much tenacity to the forms, customs, and doctrines of the State Church in the fatherland. The influence of Mormonism even in this section of the Northwest is being felt. Missionaries of the Mormon Church are zealously disseminating its doctrines. Recently meetings were held in Minneapolis, at which there was present sixteen elders and one apostle. The real purpose of their mission was skilfully concealed. In their addresses they made positive declarations of their loyalty to the Government of the United States. They practically endeavored to convince their hearers that Roberts was elected to Congress by Gentile votes. It behooves our churches to be thoroughly aroused to the strength of this foe that threatens the purity of the home and therefore the safety of the Government.

The unsettled condition of the population often causes disappointment in our work. Because of this it is a difficult matter to decide what field will prove permanently fruitful. Churches are organized and houses of worship are in some instances built in towns which at first give promise of growth and stability; but, owing to conditions which no one at the time could foresee, many churches in each of these States have become extinct—churches which in some instances were for a time vigorous and active. At the present time in these four States the ratio of Baptists to the population is about one in ninety.

In no section of this country is the population so largely composed of Scandinavians as in Minnesota and North Dakota. One-third of the Baptists of Minnesota are in the Scandinavian churches. While Lutheranism still retains its hold on this part of our population, the success already attained gives cause for encouragement and hope. In reaching these people, we are organizing and building what will prove in the future strong English-speaking churches. Some of the preaching in the Sabbath

services and nearly all the teaching in many of the Sunday-schools is in English. The policy of the Society in seeking the immediate evangelization of our foreign-born citizens is eminently wise. It is a work that will tell on the future growth and prosperity of the denomination. In one of the cities of Minnesota there was organized eleven years ago a Swedish Baptist Church with fifty-five members. It was originally composed chiefly of young married people. At the time of its organization there were five children in the Sunday-school. To-day there are 204 members in this church, with 263 children in the homes of these members, 20 of whom have been received into the fellowship of the church, and 135 of whom are in its Sunday-school. While the membership of the church has increased four fold, that of the Sunday-school has increased twenty-six fold.

COÖPERATION.

There has been the most perfect harmony between the representative of the Home Mission Society and the representatives of the Conventions in this district. There has been the freest consultation on all questions involving coöperation, and on all questions pertaining to the development of the work and the growth of the churches. We cannot speak too highly of Revs. D. W. Hurlburt, E. R. Pope, and T. M. Shanafelt, D.D., who direct the work in Wisconsin, Minnesota, and South Dakota, respectively. North Dakota has had no General Missionary the past year. The churches have hardly realized how much is depending upon the labors of our general missionaries, or how much the harmony, peace and prosperity of our churches is due to their activity, devotion and sound judgment. The work which they do is attended with much exposure and hardship, and the problems which they have to solve are often difficult and perplexing, requiring tact, patience and wisdom. For fuller details of the work done in each of these States, I refer to the reports furnished by the general missionaries.

As we have had no general missionary in North Dakota, this State requires particular attention. The Superintendent of Missions has given to this part of his district especial oversight. He made several trips to that State, visiting old fields where work had been suspended, and new fields where work ought to be undertaken, making personal calls on all the Baptists that he could find in these communities. While we cannot report large accessions to our members, taking the entire State into account, there has been encouraging progress in certain fields where faithful work has been blessed in the strengthening of the churches and in the conversion of souls. Mention should be made in this connection of the noble liberality of Mr. R. B. Griffith of Grand Forks, one of the leading business men of the State, who, at his own expense, has kept an evangelist in the field to assist pastors in their work; an example worthy to be followed in

every State. There have been fewer pastorless churches than formerly, and fewer changes among the pastors than in some years, though we heartily wish there might be greater improvement in this direction here, and elsewhere.

There are some promising indications in the work that has been done among the Scandinavians. New fields have been opened and steps have been taken toward building houses of worship at some of these points. The great influx of population into the State calls for enlargement in our work.

SUMMARY.

	Churches.	Membership.
Wisconsin	209	18,913
Minnesota	245	19,158
South Dakota	103	6,330
North Dakota	60	2,400
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PERSONAL LABORS.

I have been permitted in the Providence of God to devote the entire twelve months without interruption to the work of the Home Mission Society in this district. I was present at the annual meetings of the State Convention in each State. Attended also the General Swedish Conference held in Nebraska. Was present at all the quarterly Board meetings in the district, and at all the Associations that I could possibly reach. Where it was impossible on account of conflict of dates for me to be present, the work and claims of the Home Mission Society were presented either in a paper prepared by myself or by some one appointed for that occasion.

Miles traveled during the year.....	19,540
Sermons preached.....	63
Addresses delivered.....	58
Prayer-meetings attended.....	42
Pages of tracts distributed.....	96,550
Letters and postal-cards written.....	1,778

EXPENSES.

Traveling expenses.....	\$310 10
Stationery, office rent and incidentals.....	68 89
Postage	40 43
Stenographer	100 00
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	\$519 42

WISCONSIN.

REV. D. W. HULBURT, WAUWATOSA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Wisconsin is vigorously hopeful. We are repeatedly solving difficult problems. We have long felt the need of a district missionary system. At our annual meeting last October, we appointed six district missionaries who are capable of going into a place and doing anything which needs to be done if they cannot get any one else to do it. Rev. N. F. Clark, Rev. G. W. Lincoln, Rev. M. A. Packer, are our English-speaking district missionaries. Rev. C. P. Olson labors among the Danes and Norwegians, and Rev. F. O. Carlson and Rev. O. Ellison are laboring among the Swedes, the latter as general superintendent of that department of our work. Excellent results of this work are already manifest. Differences between church members are being removed. Church debts are being raised. Pastorless churches are being revived and led to call a pastor. Closed church doors are being opened. New churches are being organized.

Our churches almost universally had fallen into a habit of postponing the collections for State missions until the close of the fiscal year. This habit had many disadvantages. Last October the Convention adopted a State plan for Christian beneficence known as the "Wheel Plan" and recommended it to the churches. At the end of six months sixty-eight churches have adopted the plan. Not only have they adopted the plan, but they are working it.

We are consolidating our work. Wisconsin used to have churches with two mission circles, one Home and one Foreign, rivals of each other, but that was in the long ago. Later we had union mission circles combining Home and Foreign in one society, the membership of which consisted of a few choice sisters in middle life and older who held their meetings weekday afternoons when men were busy on their farms or in their stores or shops and the young people were in schools as teachers or pupils. But that plan is antiquated. We are having church mission circles meeting monthly in the evening, and every member of the church, man, woman, and child, is on the program at least once a year.

Wisconsin used to ask for a contribution to the regular State work, another for Scandinavian work, another for student work, another for the chapel work, and then we used to chink in an extra collection every time we got a chance. A pastor of one of our leading churches refused to let this multiplicity of appeals come to his church, but when the time came to make the offering to the State work he presented the subject in its length and breadth and his church made an offering which left its apportionment far in the rear. We took the hint and are consolidating. We used to present a multiplicity of motives. For a certain sum we would make people annual members of the Convention. For a larger sum we would

make them life members of the Convention. Now we are presenting Jesus Christ and His gospel, the existing mortal millions unsaved as the motive.

At the beginning of our last Conventional year we had a debt of \$2,162.67. During the year we reduced the debt to \$863.20. We had to retrench \$2,000.00 in order to do this, but we are thankful that the results of retrenchments were no more serious than they were.

We are thankful to have with us in all our Board meetings and to assist us in the general oversight of the work the Rev. O. A. Williams, D.D., General Superintendent of the Upper Mississippi District. His extended experience and wise counsel are helpful at many points.

Our Board employed 42 missionaries last year. Of these 26 were English-speaking, 12 Swede, and 4 Dano-Norwegian. We aided 38 churches which worked 51 local missions and our missionaries preached to an average congregation every Sunday of over 5,000 people. The net gain in our mission church membership was 175. The net gain in our entire State was 493, and our total membership 18,913.

MINNESOTA.

REV. E. R. POPE, MINNEAPOLIS. GENERAL MISSIONARY.

THE PAST.

Some people will read this report in San Francisco, where the jubilee of Baptist mission work in California is celebrated. This year is for Minnesota Baptists also the jubilee. In May, 1849, Rev. J. P. Parsons reached the village of St. Paul, and, as the year was closing on December 31st he organized the First Baptist Church of that city, with 12 constituent members. In the Territory of Minnesota, at that time including North Dakota, there were only 6000 people—not as many as the Scandinavian Baptists of Minnesota to-day. It was indeed a new country, much farther from headquarters in New York than San Francisco, or even Hawaii is to-day. To write from St. Paul and obtain a reply took about six months; to-day it can be done in less than that many days.

During these fifty years the Home Missionary Society has aided in the mission work in Minnesota with vigor, wisdom and power. It has entered from time to time the newly opened sections of the State; it has nourished and sustained more than 80 per cent. of all the churches organized; it has assisted in most substantial fashion in the erection of meeting-houses; and has wisely guided denominational interests. Through the system of coöperation with the State Convention, which originated in Minnesota and has been used nearly twenty-five years, the Society has proven itself a wise and firm friend, on whom Minnesota Baptists have come to rely at all times.

On this sixty-seventh anniversary of the Society and the fiftieth of its work in Minnesota, the nearly 20,000 Baptists of the State return heartiest thanks to the Home Mission Society and pray for Heaven's richest blessings upon all its laborers and labors. Minnesota reaches out from the Mississippi to the Pacific Coast, and joins in warmest congratulations to the Baptists of California, entreating for them the largest measure of Divine favor and the truest spiritual prosperity. A personal word may not be out of place as a link connecting Minnesota and California. The writer was converted and baptized in the First Baptist Church of San Francisco, and now serves the Society in Minnesota.

THE PRESENT.

Minnesota's 6000 have multiplied 300 times. The dozen Baptists of 1849 have increased 1500 fold. The year just closed has seen some advance. Four churches have been organized; three buildings dedicated; plans laid for the erection of twice as many more; a larger number of district missionaries have been employed than ever before; entirely new work has been begun among the 8000 Finns of the State; several mission churches have either entirely paid or made large reduction in long-standing debts; the State Convention debt to the Society has been reduced to \$500, and the State's proportion of mission money for the year has been promptly met. The expenditures for missionary purposes, exclusive of the Convention's expenses, amount to \$11,304.65. While not the most fruitful year, yet 196 souls have been baptized by our 37 missionary pastors and 12 district missionaries. Forty-one churches and 35 outstations have been served by the missionaries, and these churches have paid for salaries, Sunday-school expenses, improvements, debts, etc., \$31,996.81, while they have given away for denominational beneficence, \$2317.60. Several of these workers have been employed only part of the year; so, if we reduce the figures, we may say that the labor of the year is equivalent to that of one man working 34½ years, preaching 5899 sermons to an average congregation of 2045, having a membership of 2636. During the year 18 Sunday-schools have been organized, and the 56 Sunday-schools enroll 3628 members, with an average attendance of 2178. Most of these figures mark an advance over the previous year.

The latest enumeration of Baptists in Minnesota (May, 1898) gives 245 churches with 19,158 members, of which 84 churches are Swedish, with 5399 members; 20 are Dano-Norwegian, with 1401 members; 10 are German, with 703 members; and 131 are American, with 11,651 members.

At this time the religious situation in Minnesota is somewhat as follows: The Southern third of the State is the old and fairly well settled portion. In the larger towns of this section church life denominationally is fairly well determined, though often it seems as if the church members

were ever on the wing. Nevertheless, in this territory many country districts are neglected and need much cultivation. Figures gathered by the State Sunday-school officers show at least one-fourth of the townships without Protestant religious privileges. In the Western portion our churches are quite far apart. In Northern Minnesota the religious destitution is appalling. The needs are tremendous, our churches being often scores of miles apart. In the Twin Cities since 1890 but one American Baptist church has been formed, while one has been disbanded, and two Scandinavian churches have been organized. But the cities have grown from 297,000 to 370,000, and ought to be more vigorously evangelized. In St. Paul especially there is immediate need for a City Missionary.

Romanism is very strong and aggressive; its hand reaches out in every direction, seriously affecting social, political, and religious life. Lutheranism is formal, defensive, yet energetic; some disintegrating movements are seen, too often tending to infidelity. Baptists relatively, though third in membership of all evangelical bodies, are weak. Progress has been made, and our forces are in good position for real advance, if only proper resources can be made available. Comparing Minnesota Baptists with those in other States, their financial record is most excellent. But very few have much of this world's goods; and, if our cause is to go onward, substantial help must still come from without our borders.

THE PROMISE.

In a material direction Minnesota seems to be entering on a period of prosperity and development. Last year (1898) more miles of railroad were built within our borders than in any other State of the Union, and the mileage to be constructed this year is even greater. Each new line means new towns that ought to be taken for Christ. The mining region will turn out more iron ore this year than ever before. Sales of agricultural land are larger and at higher prices. Manufacturing interests appear to be reviving in many localities. The northern quarter of Minnesota is virgin ground. It is the veritable frontier. Life there is of the old pioneer sort, with the single advantage in relative nearness of railroads. Into this new North settlers are pouring. They are poor and as yet can do little to support the Gospel; hence, they call the more loudly for attention and workers. Other Christian bodies are expending more money and putting two laborers to our one in the field. The call to us is most imperative; the importunity is great; the opportunity even greater. The Census of 1900 will show nearly two million people in the State.

All this and much more that might be mentioned means there must be vigorous prosecution of mission work in Minnesota, if Baptists shall bear their part and hold their position among the religious forces of the State.

IOWA.

REV. E. P. BARTLETT, DES MOINES, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

THE FIELD.

Everything considered, Iowa—"This is the Land"—is hardly surpassed as a mission field. It embraces 55,044 square miles, or 35,220,200 acres. Its area is larger than Scotland, nearly as large as England, four times the size of Denmark, and five times as large as the kingdom of Greece or of the land of Judea. Its central location, soil, climate, and topographical features, as well as the character of its population, give it incalculable advantages. Iowa is young. Compared with European States, she is in her early babyhood. It is destined to be the home of a vast population. The regard which most of Iowa's citizens have for it is well expressed in the song:

"You ask what land I love the best,
Iowa, O! Iowa,
The fairest State of all the West,
Iowa, O! Iowa."

With a population of 2,058,069, 330,548 are foreign born, representing 27 different nationalities. There are no less than 137,273 Scandinavians and 11,880 Africans in the State. There are also 188,831 Lutherans in Iowa, with 462 church organizations, and 191,975 Catholics, with 411 organizations. There are 342,738 members of evangelical churches, leaving 1,715,331, or five out of every six persons in this magnificent State outside of these organizations. Surely here is a field white for the harvest.

THE WORK.

Though quite a number of our churches are pastorless, by far the larger number are well supplied. As better times have come, we hope to see the weaker churches make an effort to secure regular preaching.

Dr. Andrews has lately said that "The great obstacle to human advancement is that masses of humanity have such a low ideal of human life, and no ambition to live better." One of the perplexing problems of our work is, how to arouse churches to higher and juster conceptions of their responsibility as regards the interests of Christ's kingdom which have been intrusted to them, but to which they often seem almost wholly indifferent. Revivals have not been numerous or as fruitful of results as has been the case in some years. Nearly 2000 baptisms are reported, bringing our total membership up to about 40,000. These figures include 32 churches, with a membership of 1923, among the Scandinavians, and 22 colored churches, with a membership of 985.

THE WORKERS.

Thirty-six missionaries, including the General Missionary, have been under appointment during the year. They have served 46 churches and outstations, rendered 1165 weeks of service, preached 3917 sermons, attended 1427 prayer-meetings, made 8458 religious visits, baptized 126, and received 99 by letter and experience. The total membership of these churches is 2128. Their total contributions are \$15,763.49, of which \$973.02 is for benevolent purposes. Four missionaries have labored among the Norwegians and Danes, one, Rev. L. J. Anderson, as District Missionary. His labors have been blest in strengthening the churches and in saving souls. Four missionaries, also, have labored among the Swedes, Rev. A. Olson taking the place of Rev. C. G. Almquist, whose health would not permit his continuing the work.

It was thought wise to reduce the number of English-speaking District Missionaries. Accordingly, the State was divided into East and West Districts, and assigned to two of them. This was not done because the work was not regarded as valuable, or efficient, but because it was deemed best to put a proportionately larger sum into the support of Missionary Pastors.

Tent meetings continue to be an important feature of our work. Several nearly extinct churches have been greatly strengthened and in some cases put upon their feet through this kind of effort. Three new fields have been entered and four churches organized during the year. The importance of rural evangelization has been emphasized, and many of our pastors are making special effort to reach out into rural neighborhoods. This work has received marked tokens of the divine favor. The number of our church edifices has been increased by eleven during the year. One of these was purchased, three were so far remodeled as to make them practically new, and the others were entirely new.

NEEDS.

There is great need of more clear and just conceptions of the place and importance of State missions. There is much land yet to be subdued in our beloved State. It is especially important now, as coöperation with the Home Mission Society in our mission work, is about to cease, that contributions should be so increased that this work may not only not suffer, but be pushed on with increasing zeal and vigor. We owe it to Him who has redeemed us, to ourselves, and the grand old Society which has stood by us and nurtured us from our infancy to young manhood. We should show ourselves the worthy children of so noble a parent. In this connection, we wish to pay tribute to the invaluable services of our beloved brother, N. B. Rairden, the Society's representative, whose long acquaint-

ance with Iowa's needs and conditions eminently fit him to be not only a wise counsellor, but also a friend and sympathizer with the personal perplexities and difficulties constantly arising in the work. There is need of more complete equipment in men and money for the evangelization of Iowa. Consecrated men are needed to take one or more of the weak and pastorless churches and, by the blessing of God, develop and build them up to the point of strength and efficiency. A larger force of missionaries should be sent among the various nationalities in Iowa. Our colored brethren are plaintively reaching out their hands for direction and aid. More money is needed for church building, and in enabling us to occupy strategic points already existing, as well as to enter at once the new towns that will doubtless spring up along the lines of the several new railroads projected or in process of construction in the State.

THE OUTLOOK.

The past year, from a financial point of view, has been one of the hardest and most difficult in our experience. The supreme effort of the previous year seemed to have paralyzed financial effect. However, the \$1800 deficit, with which the year closed, has been met in cash and pledges, and with the good times with which we are favored, the future looks auspicious. True, we begin to feel, and shall feel more keenly still, the loss of the aid received from the Home Mission Society; but if it results in larger efforts toward self help, as well as a grateful recognition of the words of our Lord, "Freely ye have received, freely give," the change may result in the greatest good. In dependence upon Him who never forsakes, we step out into the future.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

T. M. SHANAFELT, D.D., HURON, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The area of South Dakota is 76,620 square miles. The State is divided into seventy counties. Seventeen of these counties are as yet unorganized. They are all located west of the Missouri River, and most of them are included in the Sioux Indian reservations. The total population of these unorganized counties, not including Indians, is 3350. These are mainly ranchmen engaged in raising cattle and sheep. With the exception of the Black Hills, nearly all of the settled portion of the State is east of the Missouri River. This includes forty-five counties. There are Baptist churches in all of these counties except Buffalo, Hand, Hyde, Jerauld, Marshall, and Walworth. Churches formerly existed in Hand, Hyde, and Jerauld counties, but they became extinct.

The Black Hills, including their adjacent foot-hills, are within the limits

of Butte, Custer, Lawrence, Meade, Fall River, and Pennington counties, having a population of 32,130. The recent unusual development of mining claims is causing a rapid increase in the population. With one or two exceptions our churches, in that wonderfully interesting and increasingly important region, are in better condition and doing more aggressive work than ever before.

There are now 106 Baptist churches in South Dakota, with 5835 members. Of these churches 72 are American, 19 Scandinavian, and 15 German. They have 20 parsonages, and 77 houses of worship, with a seating capacity of 14,445. The total reported valuation of church property is \$206,230.00. According to the State census of 1895, the population of the State was then 330,975. The ratio of Baptists to the total population is one to fifty-six. The ratio of American Baptists to the native-born inhabitants is one to sixty-eight. The ratio of Scandinavian and German Baptists to the foreign-born population is one to thirty-eight. The ratio of Scandinavian and German Baptists to the inhabitants of foreign birth and foreign parentage is one to seventy-three. The relations between American Baptists and those of other nationalities are increasingly pleasant, and all are mutually interested in and laboring for each other's welfare.

Our churches during the year maintained their record of former years, in promptly meeting the payment of the amount apportioned to them for State mission work. It has not been easy to do this. On the contrary it has called for self-sacrifice, and required an effort to accomplish it; but the churches are stronger for the successful effort made. The system of coöperation has their hearty approval.

The improved financial condition of the whole country is beginning to be felt in this State. This fact and the growing increase in crop products, give promise of larger plans and better results in religious work in the coming years. The transition from several years of drouth, and crop failures, and hard times generally, to the better conditions now beginning, means much to those who have suffered and struggled long against adverse conditions, while waiting for the realization of their hopes. Long-deferred plans will be carried out, but not all of them immediately. Paying indebtedness on homes, and improving home conditions and surroundings, must receive attention, while planning and working for the establishment and maintenance of religious homes. The work to be done along both of these lines will tax the energy and resources of the people for a long time to come, but it is safe to predict that neither of them will be neglected.

During the year three churches have been organized, four houses of worship have been built, and half a dozen parsonages have been built or purchased. A good many churches have made extensive repairs and improvements in their church homes. A larger number than usual have voluntarily proposed a reduction in appropriations, and some are looking

forward to joining at as early a day as possible, the ranks of self-supporting churches. On the other hand, an increasing number of the small and weak churches that have long been pastorless, are seeking for pastors. The amount of assistance which they will need will more than offset the reductions in appropriations on older fields.

There have been employed during all or part of the year 47 missionaries, who have supplied 52 churches and 43 outstations.

NEBRASKA.

REV. F. M. WILLIAMS, LINCOLN, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The experiences and results of the past year have, in a measure, been a duplicate of former years. The plan of coöperation between the State Convention and the Home Mission Society has been continued. The Society appropriating \$2 for every \$1 raised for mission work in the State. We were able to close the convention year free from debt with a small balance in the treasury. We are glad to report greater progress, than for many years taken together, in the payment of church debts, and the repairing and renovating of church buildings. One new house of worship has been erected and several churches contemplate building in the near future. Two new churches have been organized and two, where work had been suspended, have reorganized. Thirty-seven missionaries have been under appointment for a part or all the time, including District Missionaries and a State Evangelist. Churches that could pay living salaries have not long been without pastors; many of the feebler churches have not been supplied with pastors from the fact that suitable men could not be secured for what these churches could pay.

PRESENT CONDITIONS.

In speaking of the present existing conditions; we shall follow the admonition of Dr. H. L. Morehouse, who said: "Give the people the exact facts about financial affairs and about the fields. It is wisdom to mention the shadows as well as the bright side. If progress is slow say so and why." We report 203 American churches; 14 of this number have not sustained services for years but have never been formally disbanded, leaving 189 churches where services, of some kind, have been maintained for a part or all time. We have 17 Swedish, 9 German, and 4 Danish churches; 35 of our American churches are self-supporting, and have all-time service. Of the 35 self-supporting churches, 9 pay a salary of \$1000 or more, 9 pay from \$700 to \$800 including parsonage; 11 pay from \$500 to \$600 including parsonage; 6 pay from \$300 to \$400; 12 American churches that receive aid from the Board, have full-time service. 58 American churches have half-time and 17 have have preaching about one-fourth time. Of the 189

American churches, 67 are pastorless. Of these 67 pastorless churches, 3 can pay from \$600 to \$800; 3 can pay \$500; 5 can pay \$300, and the remaining 56 can pay from \$50 to \$150 per year. We have 15 American associations; 6 entire associations are without a self-supporting church; 45 churches have no houses of worship.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES.

After a careful investigation we have been led to the conclusion that we, as a denomination, have not rightly considered the condition and fully comprehended the financial situation in this State. We look out upon Nebraska, with an area of 76,000 square miles, and a million and a quarter population, and naturally expect large financial resources, and consequently liberal contributions to the support of the Gospel. But have we not possibly overlooked the significant fact that fully one half of Nebraska is non-productive so far as money for mission work is concerned. Most all of the money in the western part of the State is controlled by stockmen who do but very little, if anything, for the cause of missions. We are, therefore, limited to the eastern half of the State for our contributions to missions both home and foreign. And it is not an exaggeration, but a mild statement of actual facts, to say that even in this half of the State, there are men, who a few years ago could have given their fifties and hundreds with less sacrifice than they can now give their fives and tens. When the drought and the financial depression came, banks failed, business-men were compelled to make assignments, crops were destroyed, farmers gave their stock away rather than see it perish in their presence, all public enterprises were suspended, property depreciated in value, and in the continued succession of these unprecedented occurrences many of our ablest and most liberal contributors were among the members who failed in business; and those who did not entirely fail lost so heavily that their means have been so limited, business so light, and margins so small, they have scarcely been able to meet the necessities of the home. And by reason of the suspension of business, thousands of the laboring classes have been thrown out of employment, and have a struggle to feed and clothe their families. These conditions very largely exist in Nebraska at the present time. Hence our financial resources have been and are still limited even in the eastern half of the State; and in view of these conditions the mission work in this State can only be sustained and enlarged by reaching the total membership of our churches and securing a small contribution from each member. A vigorous effort has been, and is being, put forth in this direction.

OUR NEEDS.

Any enumeration of our needs must include the financial question. There was a time in the history of this State when marked prosperity

attended almost every enterprise. In those days churches were organized and for a time these churches became radiating centers of influence, but adversities came and for want of financial support some of these churches have gone down, and others are destined to go unless they can receive financial aid.

Another pressing need is wise, competent leaders, men who can so shape and direct, mould, and control the forces on these fields as to utilize every element of power both spiritual and temporal. Men who can meditate and formulate, and who will educate and stimulate the people to undertake greater things for God. Such men cannot be secured without a reasonable compensation.

THE OUTLOOK.

As the business situation has changed for the better, so we believe the conditions respecting the Redeemer's Kingdom have improved, and that our work has taken a more hopeful turn since our last report. We are confident that the Lord never founded His church without making provision for its support. And notwithstanding the limited resources in this State we most confidently believe they are adequate to meet all present emergencies if our churches will only comply with divine requirements. And we are encouraged to believe that the membership of our churches are beginning to recognize, as never before, the Lord's claims upon their temporal means, and that substantial progress has been made the past year in regard to the Bible idea of giving. Many members have adopted the tithing system. In brief the future outlook is as bright as the promises of God.

KANSAS.

REV. E. B. MEREDITH, TOPEKA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

This State, comprising 81,700 square miles, or an area equal to all New England and nearly half of New York, is inhabited by 1,500,000 people, mostly American born, but coming from every part of this country. People from the North and South, the East and West meet here, perhaps, as in no other State of the Union and the process of amalgamation of these heterogeneous Americans is not an easy one. The entire State is open for occupation and is all inhabited, though some of the western parts are but sparsely settled. There is no large or wealthy commercial center within its borders. The population is scattered in small cities and villages, on farms, and in the mining districts of the southeast part. Of this population about 40,000 are Baptists, finding homes in 617 different churches. Many of these are small and weak and in the western part greatly isolated. As yet the State is one great mission field.

THE YEAR.

The past year has been one of fairly continued prosperity. The process of readjustment of business, paying of debts, and pressing hard to get out of the entanglements of the days of panic has been steadily going on. We realize now more than ever how great was the disaster through which our State has passed. Like processes are going on in our churches. Long-standing debts have been paid, property lost on mortgages has been repurchased, buildings have been repaired, houses badly located in the boom times have been moved to more central locations and put in order, and several new buildings have been erected. Still there is more of this work to be done before we shall feel fully restored. It is a period of rebuilding the walls of Zion with us. The strenuous effort along these lines in so many churches curtails the offerings to mission work. Nearly every church is doing its utmost to get its own work in order. Our pastorates are becoming more permanent and the salaries are being increased and more promptly met. Several mission churches have become self-supporting thus enabling us to take up other fields. While the year has been marked with no sweeping revivals there has been a spiritual growth and a steady ingathering in most of the churches.

♦ MISSIONARY WORK.

During the year we have had under appointment for a part or all the time 60 different missionaries including the General and District Missionaries. In the latter capacity Rev. J. R. Rairden has served in the Northwest and Rev. Wm. Wilber in the Southwest Kansas. These brethren are becoming veterans in the work and have rendered excellent service in bringing up the weak and discouraged churches in their respective districts. Rev. J. H. Van Leu has done a good work among the colored churches. Rev. Aug. Johnson has again taken his old place as Swede missionary, a place he has now filled for nearly 20 years, but has rested for the last two years. He is greatly loved by his people. These four men have aided over 150 churches during the year. The missionary pastors have served over 70 churches and 40 outstations. Most of these places would have been destitute if it had not been for mission aid. The year's reports show 2243 baptisms, of which 422 were by our missionaries.

AMONG COLORED BAPTISTS.

The work among the colored brethren who comprise one-fourth of our Baptist constituency in this State is a very important one. The past year besides aiding in the support of their missionary we aided in the support of six missionary pastors and in securing five houses of worship. They have a separate Convention and we coöperate with them. They are rapidly

progressing in religious work and take a large interest in giving the Gospel to all their people. The higher order of men in their ministry is a strong commendation of the wisdom of the Home Mission Society in establishing the Freedmen's Schools of the South. The work among this people ought to be continued and enlarged.

THE NEEDS.

First, we need to put in another hard year continuing the clearing of church debts and improving and repairing the church buildings. There ought to be several new houses erected very soon, in order to maintain organizations already made, especially in the western part of the State. One association of twenty-three churches has only seven buildings and three of these have been secured in the last year. We could use double the money we will get to good advantage in this direction this year.

Second, we need at least twenty more consecrated, earnest, well-trained missionaries to take fields that are destitute, where the opportunities are large and the people anxious for the Gospel. We can get the men if we had the means to help support them.

Third, we need to enlarge our work among the colored churches and take up the "white man's burden" for this large and needy portion of our population.

Kansas Baptists are grateful for the liberal aid of the Home Mission Society in helping to plant and build up our mission fields. It would seem to be an impossible task without the large amount of financial help granted us from year to year. The helpful counsels and wise direction of Rev. N. B. Rairden, our Superintendent of Missions, have been a large factor in the advancement we have made the last three years. We hope for a continuance of the policy of cooperation till we are better able to care for ourselves.

OKLAHOMA.

REV. L. J. DYKE, OKLAHOMA CITY, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

In making my report for 1898 and 1899 I find it difficult to cover all the ground so as to give the constituency of the Society the facts of our work, and at the same time keep within the limits of time and space required. One year ago there was some changes made in my field that seemed imperative. For several years I had Oklahoma and Indian Territories under my supervision. This was too large a field for one man to manage and meet all the needs. This year my work has been confined to Oklahoma alone and I trust has been for its betterment. I believe there has been decided progress. At the beginning of the year some of our most important churches were without pastors. During the year we have brought

into the Territory a number of valuable men and have retained the most of those we had. Brother L. H. Holt who has done such excellent work in Guthrie during his pastorate of four years, resigned in November, and soon after was appointed by the Society as District Missionary for the colored people. This was a new departure in our colored work; it seems to be proving successful. The colored people themselves are very much pleased with Brother Holt's services. His institute work and his counsel are both needed and very much appreciated. Rev. A. J. Morris of Marengo, Ill., succeeded Brother Holt in the pastorate of the Guthrie church; he is an able man and will add strength to our Oklahoma ministry. During the year we have completed five good meeting-houses and two or three others are under way.

For nine years Oklahoma and Indian Territories have been united in one Convention. For some time it has been thought by some of our brethren that if we could be divided on Territorial lines we might do more efficient work. Accordingly a special meeting was called in January, when a dissolution was effected and committees appointed for each body to draft a constitution and arrange for meetings. The Oklahoma Convention will meet in June at Enid. It remains to be seen what the result will be. We hope it will be for the furtherance of Baptist interests.

The white Baptists are gathered into ten associations, the colored Baptists into four, and the Indians into one. The white churches number something over 180 with a membership of 5217 as reported by the minutes. Number of ministers reported, 86. As nearly as I can ascertain we have not far from 85 colored churches with a membership of 3600 with nearly 100 ministers. Many of these do not preach at all. Our Indian Association is composed of Indian mission churches, 6 in all; 2 Kiowa, 1 Comanche, 1 Wichita, and 2 Cheyenne. During the year a new missionary has been established among the Arapahoes, with Brother F. L. King, missionary. The membership of these churches is about 300.

Time and space will not permit me to speak of many individual cases that would doubtless add interest to this report. I will indulge in but two. Oklahoma City Church said to the Board last year: "We will try to go alone." This year has been one of marked prosperity with them. They have increased in membership, their congregations are large and their benevolence better than ever before. Recently they have put in their house of worship a pipe-organ the first and only one in either Oklahoma or Indian Territories. The second incident: A colored church in Kingfisher has worshiped for several years in a dugout; two years ago they put in a basement 30 x 40 feet and covered it with boards and have worshiped in that until four months ago since which time they have erected on their foundation or basement a beautiful church-house with spire on corner.

and paid for it with the aid of the Society giving them \$100 and loaning them \$100. This house will easily seat 250 people.

I feel that if ever missionary money was spent for the glory of God it has been so spent in Oklahoma the past year.

There are new and important fields constantly opening and these by the grace of God we are entering as the opportunity offers and so pushing our work to the front. By the favor of God and the aid of the Home Mission Society we are able to say truthfully the Baptist is the leading denomination in Oklahoma. There are important places that ought to have been occupied before now, which we have been unable to reach for want of money and men; the men could be secured if we could offer sufficient salaries. As it is we must content to wait and pray and hope. Each year we see marked improvement and a decided advance.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

J. S. MURROW, D.D., ATOKA, DISTRICT MISSIONARY.

The results of the year's labors by the missionaries in this district have not been manifestly large. Except in Brother Wiley's field there have been no large ingatherings into the churches. I think it may be truthfully said, however, that there has been healthy growth. At all of the mission stations of the Society there has been good work done, and the churches are stronger spiritually and otherwise. Our missionaries have done honest and earnest work. You are aware that this district is the storm-center, in Indian Territory, of the opposition to the Society and all of its work and workers, by the General Association of Western Arkansas and Indian Territory. Every one connected with the Society or the Convention or who expresses any fellowship or friendship for either is denounced as an unsound Baptist and unworthy of any fraternal recognition. Indeed their people are expressly and emphatically instructed not to invite us to their churches, not to visit our churches, not to recognize us in any way as Baptist, if, indeed, as Christians. Our people do not retaliate. We endure all these persecutions and abuses with Christian forbearance. When reviled we do not revile in return—when slandered we hold our peace. Such a condition of affairs is not conducive to prosperity and it is an evidence of divine approbation that our churches and mission stations have fairly healthy growth.

The work among the full-blood Indians in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations is not at all hopeful. There is a constant decrease in membership. This may be accounted for in various ways. The changes in their civil and political affairs, brought about by the Dawes Commission, have been very hurtful to religious work. The full-bloods

have always been taught to believe that treaties made with the United States Government were very sacred and binding. A few years ago Congress declared that these Indian treaties were of no binding force. This shocked the moral sentiment of the full-bloods and shook their faith in everything, even in the Christian religion, as taught them by white missionaries. Next, Congress abrogated their tribal government and subjected them to United States courts where white lawyers fleece them every chance they get. Now, their lands are to be divided and allotted and the white citizens and half-breeds are occupying all the best lands and the Indians are crowded into the hills and forests. No white preachers visit their churches or show them any active sympathy. No one advises or instructs them what and how to do in either civil or religious matters. This is no exaggeration. It is actual truth. The outlook for the full-bloods is very, *very* gloomy. They are rapidly dying out and can truly say, "no man cares for my soul or body either." They can say, very emphatically, "all white men care for my lands and invested funds with great and active interest."

DANIEL ROGERS, D.D., MUSKOGEE, DISTRICT MISSIONARY.

Nine months of the year for which I was appointed as district missionary for the northern portion of the Indian Territory have nearly passed. A summary of my work for nine months is as follows, *viz.*: Number of weeks of labor, 39; number of sermons, 117; number of prayer-meetings attended, 39; persons and families religiously visited, 142; assisted in the ordination of ministers, 2; number of letters written in the interest of the work, 355; number of miles traveled, 3919; paid for traveling expenses, \$107.30; paid for postage and stationery, \$10.15; collected of churches and individuals, \$87.33.

My work has been considerably interrupted on account of the protracted cold and stormy weather during the past winter. I have assisted several of the pastors on my field in protracted meetings which seemed to be productive of good results. There have been apparent indications of increasing interest in missions and Christian responsibility.

The condition of the country is abnormal. Politically it is still unsettled. Neither the Cherokee nor Creek treaty with the Dawes Commission have been ratified by Congress; the former has been rejected. Large numbers of whites are residing in this Territory who cannot feel that they are identified with the interests here. Many are coming and going and excuse themselves from responsibilities. This hinders church work. Large numbers who were members of churches in the States refuse to bring their letters and unite with the church where they are residing. In some of the towns there are almost as many of this class as there are members of the churches. Political agitations turn the attention of the people, both citizens and non-

citizens, from work that develops the religious resources of the country. This spirit which pervades the country greatly affects the churches. Yet this is a country which has great possibilities. A better state of affairs is expected to exist when the political condition is settled. Towns are rapidly springing up on the railroads, and those already established are increasing in population. Some of these will be important centers of influence. They are strategic points which should be considered of great importance in determining the future religious history of this country. At these places there should be men, as pastors, who are competent to be leaders, men of ability as well as spiritually minded men, who may lay a good foundation for future building. They need to be all-round men who can adapt themselves to their surroundings. They need to be men of good financial ability who may educate the churches in methods conducive to self-support. The support of such men on the field will require an increased appropriation for the work here. Muskogee and Vinita now have good men. Another is greatly needed for Wagoner, a rapidly growing town of great importance. One, and perhaps two other important towns will need strong men. One of these is in need of such a man at once. There are country places needing good men, as well as railroad towns of less importance. At all these places consecrated men of ability are in great demand to rightly direct the life and energies of the mixed multitudes who come to this Territory. One dollar wisely expended in missionary work now may accomplish as much as five times that amount in five years hence.

What I have said has more special reference to the white and half-breed population in the Territory. The full-blood churches are slow to act but they are developing plans of church work which are hopeful of the future. All the pastors of these churches are good men, and, as a general thing, men of remarkable ability, considering the advantages which they have had. As pastors they can do more for those who speak the Indian language than white men. These churches need continued help and encouragement. They are becoming better organized. Work among them is hopeful. I have planned, after the weather becomes more settled, to visit these churches with special reference to helping them to become better organized and in doing more towards the support of their pastors.

In regard to work among the colored people of this Territory I am of the opinion that some system of coöperation with the Home Mission Society would be of great practical value. It would stimulate them to greater effort. Four district missionaries were appointed at their last Convention. The support which they give these is not enough to secure the services of such men as are needed. If the Society would add as much as they raise for their missionaries it would enable these men to give their entire time to the work to which they are appointed. The colored people have recently established a school for the education of their young people. It is located

at Muskogee. Its aim is an advanced course of study, though at present but little more than work in common schools is being done. They are planning to build a school-house in the near future. They have two teachers of very good ability connected with the school. Just now the impetus of coöperation with the Home Mission Society in their more aggressive efforts would greatly help them in enlarging their influence.

It is earnestly hoped that there may be an increase in the appropriation for work in the Territory for the coming year. In these transition times from the old order to the new enlarged Christian work here will mean much for the future. It is a work which the denomination cannot afford to neglect. The absorbing spirit of worldliness engages the attention of the people. Only the coming of Christ into the lives of the heterogeneous masses who throng here can give to this Territory a hopeful outlook.

MONTANA, SOUTH IDAHO, UTAH, AND WYOMING.

REV. L. G. CLARK, HELENA, MONT., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

In common with our brethren in other parts of the country, we mourn the loss of Dr. H. C. Woods, the late honored and beloved General Superintendent of Missions for the Rocky Mountain Division, and in a special sense his death has been a sore bereavement to us. His sagacity, sympathy, sincerity, and saintliness won all our hearts and enabled him to do for us a work, the need and the value of which can be fully appreciated only by those most familiar with the peculiar conditions which obtain on such fields as these. The influence of his counsel and his character is sure to be an abiding blessing in the unfolding life of our denomination, not only on the shores of the Western sea, but also through all these great and growing empires among the mountains.

MONTANA.

While there have been no very marked changes in the general condition of our work during the past year, there has been, on the whole, a steady, though quiet, onward movement. Nearly all our churches are stronger and more firmly established than they were a year ago. Our associational meeting, held in Butte City last fall, was thought to be in many respects the best and most encouraging in our history thus far. The twenty (20) churches represented at this Association reported a total membership of 1255. We have property valued at \$67,200.00, not including a fine parsonage recently built at Dillon. There are four (4) parsonages and sixteen (16) church-edifices, with a total seating capacity of 2900.

The benevolent contributions reported were as follows:

Home missions, \$305.35; foreign missions, \$308.23; publication society, \$74.32; ministerial education, \$40.50; Bible work, \$6.50.

The total contributions for the year were \$14,836.19.

We now have fourteen (14) pastors in the State, a General Missionary and two or three other brethren not in the active pastorate. Also a missionary colporteur of the Publication Society and a representative from each of the Women's Mission societies. One of these in charge of the Chinese Mission in Butte, and the other working with the Swedish church at Anaconda. A number of new pastors have come into the State during the year. Helena, Dillon, and three churches in the Bitter Root Valley are among these favored with the services of these brethren. They are all good men, and have greatly strengthened our working force.

The church at Livingston is now without a pastor, and in addition to a man for that field, we greatly need at least three more men for Montana. We ought to have another man for the Bitter Root Valley, also one to give his whole time to Billings and vicinity, where we have a young and growing church; and the Pageville Church ought to have a pastor to cultivate the important field in that locality.

Two or three of our churches have paid their indebtedness to the Home Mission Society during the year. At Belt, there has been built a house of worship. The Swedish church at Great Falls has secured a valuable lot, and contemplates building soon.

SOUTH IDAHO.

The work in South Idaho has been prosperous during the year, although we have not had as many additions to the churches as in some former years. The number of churches and missionary workers remains about the same as reported last year. 20 churches and 7 missionary pastors. In addition to these who are now being supported in part by the Home Mission Society, there are two or three brethren on the field who are working without aid from the Society. Brother L. W. Gowen is also doing an excellent work as missionary colporteur of the Publication Society. At Mountain Home, a church-edifice has been built, and one has also been dedicated at Middleton. If the money could be secured for their support, we could find fields for several good men in South Idaho. Lost River, Emmett, and other fields are pleading for more help. A number of new pastors have come into South Idaho during the past year. They are proving themselves effective men and are doing excellent work on their respective fields. Dr. J. B. Webber has recently accepted a pastorate in another State. This leaves our strongest and most important church (Boise City) without a pastor.

UTAH AND WYOMING.

These States were added to my field in October, so I can make but a brief report as to the work there. The Utah Association has seven (7) churches, including the Evanston and Ft. Bridger churches located in Wyoming. These churches report a total membership of 615, and church property valued at \$83,600.00. With the exception of the First Church in Salt Lake City all our Utah churches are aided by the Society in the support of their pastors. In addition to the pastor of the First Church, there are four missionary pastors, six missionaries of the Women's Societies, and one missionary colporteur of the Publication Society at work in the State. Including the two missions of the First Church and the house at Mercur we have seven good houses of worship in Utah. While the work yet to be done is very great, and while the needs and the difficulties of the field are almost overwhelming, still we have reason to be thankful that so much has already been accomplished and is now being done. Our work in Salt Lake City, Ogden, and Provo is being prosecuted with wisdom and zeal, and from these important centers we are reaching a large per cent. of the total population in Utah. Still, our work should be greatly enlarged in the State. Since Utah and Wyoming have been added to his field, Rev. N. B. Rairden has shown great interest in the work, and has already become well acquainted with the field. His brethren in Utah are specially encouraged by his deep and energetic interest in them, and their work on that dark and difficult field.

In addition to those already mentioned, we have seven more churches in Wyoming; they are located as follows: three of them in Big Horn Basin (these are all weak, and need much wise help in order to live), one at Sheridan, one at Laramie, and two (one a colored church) at Cheyenne. We now have five (5) missionary pastors in Wyoming. Your general missionary has visited all these fields and feels confident that the brethren who are called to cultivate them, need the earnest prayers and sympathy of their fellow-workers in other parts of the country. Good work is being done in Wyoming, but there is need of enlargement there as elsewhere through all the vast and valuable portion of the New World.

COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO.

REV. JOHN W. CROOKS, DENVER, COL., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The very hopeful condition of the work in Colorado at the present time is due in no small measure to the untiring zeal, persistent enthusiasm and exceptional executive ability of my predecessors, Revs. Geo. P. Wright, and D. D. Proper.

COLORADO.

A LOOK INTO THE PAST.

The Home Mission Society commenced operations here in 1863. For years the work was carried on under almost overwhelming difficulties. During this period almost every church in the State was assisted by the parent society, yet many of these are now the strong self-supporting churches of the West. A rapid growth, however, has resulted from the last ten years of work. In this time the churches have multiplied by two, and the membership by nearly three, so that Colorado has been a profitable field for missionary investment.

A LOOK AT THE PRESENT.

We are in the midst of one of the most successful years of our history as a Convention. At the present time some new church buildings are being erected, and we are entering fields that until now have remained untouched by the Baptists; fields which are "white unto the harvest." Notable among these are Mancos and Dolores. At the latter place the people did not seem to know much more of Jesus Christ than they did of Julius Cæsar, they had never had any regular religious service in the town; our District Missionary, Brother Rozelle, held a two-weeks' meeting which resulted in the conversion of a large number of people, several of whom were baptized and we now have a thriving church. It is the only church of any denomination for about 1 mile. A very striking case also is the Mancos church, here a band of about 50 people, all young converts, united themselves to study and follow the teachings of God's Word; as a result, they have made application to be received as a regular Baptist Church; this has been done, and our district missionary recently held a meeting for three weeks, resulting in some 20 additions to the church. It was at this place that a man went to the home where our missionary was staying, armed with a revolver, with the declared intention of killing him for his faithful and outspoken preaching against the public sins of the people. It is very difficult to explain the utter disregard for virtue and common morality that exists in some of these mining centers; consequently it is absolutely necessary that our missionaries declare in no uncertain sound "the whole counsel of God."

THE PRESENT MISSIONARY NEEDS OF COLORADO.

The immediate attention of at least 6 more missionary pastors to take up work in centers of population, commerce and mining activities. In towns, such as Telluride, a rapidly growing place of some 3000 people, when the general missionary visited them a few months ago, there was not a regular preaching service of any denomination in the city, but I under-

stood that over 20 saloons were running in full blast. The people in places like this, hardly know when Sunday comes round, and it seems to us out here, that, if only our more prosperous churches knew these things, that by their generous gifts we might carry the message of life to these thousands, who are so rapt in securing the treasures of earth that they hardly remember that they are losing, forever, the treasures of heaven.

OUR PRESENT STATISTICS.

There are 88 churches, 62 preachers. About 8000 members. Nearly one-third the churches are missionary churches.

NEW MEXICO.

The population is about 200,000 or 250,000, of these not more than 50,000 are Americans, the rest are Mexicans.

We are slowly gaining ground in this terribly neglected country. The missionary work among the white population is encouraging. We have at the present time 7 missionary pastors who are supplying 19 preaching stations; one is preaching at five different points, so that with this limited force we are holding, as best we can, the places occupied. We need a district missionary, so that we may move to plant the Baptist banner in the towns that are springing up along the new railways that are building in this Territory.

But in my judgment, foremost among the problems that confront our Society is the work which is waiting to be done among the Mexicans of this southwestern country. In New Mexico there are 150,000, Texas 200,000, Colorado and Arizona some 50,000, making about 400,000, and 11,000,000 to draw from over the line in old Mexico. In the Territory of New Mexico, they are the controlling power. The Governor, nearly all the Territorial officials, three-fourths of the members of the Legislature, together with the Delegate, are all Mexicans. Now the Christian churches seem to have ignored this vast body of people. The prevailing supposition always has been that they were wedded to the Catholic Church. This, however, is a grand mistake, as by the confessions of prominent members of this church in New Mexico to me, they do not touch more than 15 per cent. at the outside. The great mass of this neglected, superstitious, and degraded people are simply drifting into the next world without God and without hope. A large body of them belong to what is known as the Penitents. These people practise the most horrible and inhuman cruelties on themselves and on each other to atone for sin. They actually crucify one of their number during Lent each year, nailing him to a cross and thus with his poor, suffering body stretched he is carried in a procession. They do not intend to put him to death, but sometimes he dies from the suffering

and exhaustion. Brethren, the blood of these people is crying out to us. In the name of God, we must take up this work.

EASTERN WASHINGTON AND NORTHERN IDAHO.

REV. A. M. ALLYN, SPOKANE, WASH., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The field of this Convention, embracing three-fifths of Washington and one-fourth of Idaho, has an area of 65,000 square miles. The population is nearly 250,000 and is increasing so rapidly that it is believed we shall have fully 300,000 before the close of the present year. The northern portion of the field, whose population has hitherto been quite small, is now being settled with wonderful rapidity. In this region where two years ago we had only three or four important towns, we now have a dozen such offering grand opportunities for Baptist work. The most promising of these is Republic, a rapidly growing mining town of about 2500 population, which at the present rate of increase will have 5000 or 6000 in six months. We expect to organize a church and settle a pastor at this place this spring.

We have had under appointment in this convention for all or part of the year 18 missionary pastors and one woman missionary for Chinese work. These 18 missionary pastors have supplied for some portion of the time 25 churches and 15 outstations. The average number of missionary pastors has been 14, and the average number of churches supplied by them 19. Four churches have supported their own pastors, and 5 churches have been regularly supplied by men engaged in secular pursuits. Thus, it will be seen that of our 60 churches, 28 have enjoyed regular preaching. Four new ones have been organized, and about 160 persons have been baptized. While the increase in membership in other ways has far exceeded the number of baptisms, yet owing to quite a general revision of church rolls, this increase has been largely overcome by the diminutions, leaving the total membership in the convention about 2800, and the resident membership about 2300.

Two new houses of worship have been completed, and one building used as such has been purchased, all at a total cost of about \$3550, toward which the Home Mission Society furnished \$375. Just one-half of our churches now have houses of worship. We raised during the past year for convention missions \$1154, an increase of \$269 over the previous year. This year we are endeavoring to raise \$1500, and the Society has increased our limit from its treasury to \$6000. This much-needed increase of funds enables us to aid some churches long neglected, and to take up four important new fields, Lewiston, Northport, Colville, and Republic, three of which are county seats. The unusually severe winter, attended with considerable illness, has been a great hindrance to revival work. However, the few special meetings held were quite successful.

OBSTACLES.

The obstacles in the way of raising funds are much the same as in former years.

1. While the hard times have gone by, their effects are still felt. Many of our farmers, and not a few of our business men, who lost their property during the financial distress, are still without adequate means of support, and are unable to contribute anything. And many others who held on to their property are still struggling under a great burden of debt, and feel that every dollar they are able to spare must go to creditors, and so contribute little or nothing to our work.

2. Our large number of pastorless, houseless churches, having no place nor encouragement to maintain regular services, have little opportunity or inclination to contribute.

3. Our churches are nearly all in the southeastern portion of the field, while the centers of wealth, in the mining regions of the north, are unoccupied by us; and hence our money must nearly all come from one portion of the field, and that in the agricultural region where the hard times were the most disastrous and the effects continue the longest. We are endeavoring to gain a foothold for our cause in the northern regions, but Baptists are few, property and living are expensive, and our funds are limited, so that we can make but slow progress in that direction. But, on the whole, the convention is making good progress. The work was never in better condition than now, and the workers are able, active, courageous, and hopeful, believing that the Master is leading us to victory.

SPECIAL NEEDS.

1. We need men and means to supply our 22 churches now practically without preaching. 2. We need a wide-awake, able, consecrated missionary evangelist, to assist pastors in special meetings, and to aid the general missionary in resuscitating defunct and discouraged churches, in opening new fields, and in preparing both to receive and support regular pastors.

We are grateful to the Home Mission Society for its timely and generous increase of funds to this Convention, and for its continued coöperation in our work.

WESTERN WASHINGTON.

REV. WM. E. RANDALL, TACOMA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Probably no other locality in the United States equals Western Washington at the present time as an object of thoughtful attention. The Northern Pacific Railroad Company's land sales for the last fiscal year exceeded the aggregate sales of the six immediately preceding years. It is estimated that a daily average of one hundred families come to our State

to establish new homes. The sure prophecy of a continuation of immigration is found in our remarkable diversity of attractions—mild climate, magnificent forests, mineral wealth, fertile soil, and profitable horticulture. The tides that bring their treasures of fish are white with the sails of commerce. The Puget Sound country is a gateway to Alaska and the Orient. Western Washington possesses a half-dozen elements, either one of which has created commonwealths, built cities, contributed fortunes, attracted thousands. A conviction of the magnitude of our stewardship is coming to our most thoughtful people.

OUR PRESENT.

Less than 36,000 of the present population of 300,000 are identified with any one of the various religious denominations! Only eleven of each one hundred of school-population have been gathered into Sunday-schools—89 per cent. remain unreached! Our Baptist membership of 3506 (a slight increase, the first for several years) is divided into sixty-four churches. Sunday-school enrolment equals the church membership.

The generous coöperation of the Home Missionary Society made thirty-two missionary appointments possible during the year. Thirty-seven churches and twenty-five outstations have been cared for. Twenty-one missionaries and a general missionary are now under appointment. Many additional appeals for assistance in sustaining pastors and developing important fields are before our board.

Six church edifices were either completed or are now under construction, during the year. In every instance this work is so prosecuted that no debts are dedicated to the Lord. The present trend of church activity involves payment of debts—the inheritance of boom times, and the adoption of good business methods.

OUR PROBLEMS.

Supplementing the general difficulties involved in church activity, the prosecution of Western Washington work presents exceptional problems. With a constituency that includes but eight self-supporting churches, and conditions that make money-raising very difficult on all local fields, our financial problem is complicated. The contributing of more than thirty thousand dollars during the year has involved unusual sacrifice. The generosity of our people is revealed in the fact that the Missionary Union asks and receives from our people per-capita offerings almost exactly double the average offerings asked and received from Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, and Illinois.

Washington forests, minerals, and soil represent vast wealth, but the conversion of these into coin is slow and toilsome. Nowhere in my

experience have dollars that pass into the Master's treasury been so freighted with sacrifice and devotion.

Our problem of men is intricate. When the illusions are dissipated and the stern facts of toilsome service for very moderate support become known, capable Eastern brethren often lose enthusiasm over coming to the Coast. Our force of missionary pastors represents unsurpassed fidelity and devotion. Only men possessed of superlative moral fiber succeed here. We need additional men of this type.

Beyond the ordinary tasks incident to evangelization in a new country, Providence has brought to us an extensive Japanese and Chinese population. This work has fallen *almost exclusively to Baptists*. The Lord has greatly blessed the consecrated services of Seattle and Tacoma workers among these peoples. An additional appropriation of \$1000 per year, making the appointment of three missionaries possible, will give us a harvest never realized in foreign lands! The hundreds of Japanese now here will soon become thousands.

OUR PROSPECTS.

With growing harmony and unity, improved financial methods, the reduction of distressing burdens of church debts and enlarging opportunities for service, the outlook is bright. Of twelve churches that contributed an average of one dollar or more to Convention work, eleven were mission churches.

All that we possess of substantial foundations and vantage-ground is attributed to the patient, fostering care of the Home Mission Society. The appropriations of money have been generous. The help and courage realized from the counsels of District Secretary Woody and Superintendent Dr. H. C. Woods constitute large factors in our success. All hearts are saddened that we shall hear the voice of Dr. Woods in our conventions no more. Appreciation of the fidelity of the Home Mission Society's support is being manifested in the inauguration of the policy of making separate offerings for its treasury. Our churches comprise a constituency for all home and foreign missionary appeals. The existence of this constituency is a direct result of the work of the Home Mission Society. There is a growing conviction that it should no longer receive secondary consideration in benevolences. Our Swedish, Norwegian and Danish work prospers, grows in importance, and is full of promise. At no time in the history of our work has there been greater need of enlargement or greater promise of immediate and substantial return for the investment.

OREGON.

REV. GILMAN PARKER, PORTLAND, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The past year has been one of enlargement along every line of church work. The Society graciously increased the appropriation for the State, \$1000, granting us \$5000 instead of \$4000 as before. This, with the \$3000. that the State Convention is seeking to raise, gives us an increase of \$2000 and a total of \$8000 for our missions. This has been a source of great inspiration to the work.

Better financial conditions, and a splendid crop yield have caused an increase in offerings, a larger per cent. of the churches contributing than for many years; there has been corresponding increase in missionary operations, and an enlargement of our missionary force, consequently there has been larger success, and more satisfactory results. There is now a stronger feeling of confidence, and a healthy reassurance in business, and also in Christian work; there is a more perfect unity among our Baptist people than for years, together with a strong upward trend in spirituality in the churches—things that have been greatly needed in Oregon.

There have come enlarged blessings upon the labors of our missionaries and pastors, hence an increase of many desirable things. A number of most excellent pastors have come to the State, thereby encouraging our forces mightily. The stirring events of the year have served to deepen conviction, to awaken interest, widen our vision, and to enlarge our views concerning the great mission of Baptists in the world. The triumph of American principles in the war with Spain, possession of islands to the westward, the opening of the Pacific Ocean to larger traffic possibilities, the mighty movement of people towards the Alaskan gold fields, and the attention of the world drawn to where the far West touches the Orient, are awakening the people of this coast to a sense of greater responsibility.

THE CHINESE WORK.

Having secured the Rev. Fung Chak as missionary pastor in Portland, and more fully emphasizing the evangelistic feature of the work, the mission is in better condition than for many years. Considerable money might be well expended at Astoria, Albany, and other portions of the State, and would result in great benefit to this much abused and neglected people, that God has sent within our gates.

THE SWEDISH WORK.

There are about 40,000 Scandinavians in Oregon. This fact alone suggests an enlargement of missionary operations among this people.

The coming of Rev. Charles Asplund to the pastorate of the Swedish Baptist Church in Portland was a great event in their history; his coming gave at once a new impetus to the work; he has brought about the organization of the Swedish Baptist Conference, which has come into coöperation with our State Convention; the Rev. G. A. Osbrink has been secured as general missionary, and thus assuring a larger interest in the welfare of this most excellent class of foreigners.

THE GERMAN WORK.

In June, 1879, the first Baptist Church was organized in the State, with eighteen members. The work has been necessarily slow, but of excellent quality; there are now seven churches, with a membership of 460, and church property valued at \$15,000. There are six pastors and five houses of worship. The German Baptists of Oregon hold a high standard of piety, and fully exemplify it in both living and giving.

THE BAPTIST FORCES.

There are in coöperation with the Oregon Baptist State Convention 110 churches, with a membership of 7236; 74 of these churches have houses of worship, and hold property valued at \$296,606; all together there are about 8000 Baptists in the State, one to every fifty of population.

There are many unidentified Baptists in the State; the causes are various: some are isolated from churches, in many instances hundreds of miles; others have been expecting to move elsewhere, some of them for twenty years, and so have not presented their letters; others still have come West to make money, and have not cared to trammel conscience with any unnecessary restraints; others have wilfully and deliberately gone back on their religion, if they ever had any.

NEEDS OF OREGON.

The one great need is some way to reach the isolated and remote communities, those away from our cities and lines of railways; the towns and villages near the railways are fairly well supplied with the Gospel, but there are hundreds, if not thousands, of neighborhoods, where from five to twenty families reside, that never hear the word of God proclaimed. There are some small churches, also, far removed from lines of travel—these are too weak to support a pastor, and not enough people at hand to warrant a very great outlay of missionary funds, hence many small churches have died for want of food. This great problem confronts us in this State of magnificent distances, how shall we best reach these neglected and destitute places? The District Missionary can and does visit some of them, but how can such a one reach the whole of his district? We have one such missionary in east Oregon; he has as

large a territory as all New England; on his field there are 125,000 people, and, the population now increasing rapidly, the missionary can only touch the field in a few places. The cry comes up from these soul-starving people for the bread of life. Instead of two district missionaries in Oregon we need ten, and then a large number of Gospel-wagons besides; these to be followed up by faithful pastors, and then the process done over and over again.

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL CALIFORNIA.

REV. ROBERT WHITAKER, OAKLAND, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

This field covers forty-eight of the fifty-seven counties of California. Their combined area is about one hundred thousand square miles, an average of a little more than two thousand square miles to the county. San Francisco County has the smallest area, forty-two miles, and the largest population, probably three hundred and thirty thousand by this time. The total population of this portion of the State is in round numbers now one million souls, of which it appears that San Francisco has about one-third. The largest county in this section of California is Inyo, with an area of over ten thousand square miles, and a population of less than five thousand all told. Inyo County is considerably larger than Massachusetts and Rhode Island together. It has in all its ten thousand square miles just one little Baptist church. Siskiyou County, on the extreme north of this Convention field, as Inyo County is on the extreme south, and the next in size to Inyo County has over six thousand square miles, with a population of from twelve to fifteen thousand. There is not to my knowledge a Baptist church in Siskiyou County. This is true of a good many other counties in northern and central California. In all the forty-eight counties there are not more than one hundred and thirty Baptist churches, and not to exceed ten thousand Baptist church-members. On the average, therefore, every Baptist has ten square miles to himself, and counts only one in one hundred. There are only about twelve or thirteen hundred Baptist church-members among the three hundred and thirty thousand of San Francisco County. Oakland, and adjacent towns, with less than one-third of the population of San Francisco, have a Baptist population of two or three hundred more. There are towns of three or four thousand people, with no Baptist organization, towns of ten thousand where the Baptists can be numbered with two figures.

Notwithstanding these facts, which speak for themselves as to the difficulties of the work, notwithstanding the poverty of our people, which is almost universal, the Baptist outlook is brighter than it has been for two or three years past. The drought is broken in this portion of the State, though relief came only two weeks ago. But already we are beginning to

feel the stronger pulse of industrial and commercial conditions. The year has been very trying to our missionary pastors, of whom we now have twenty-four, not including two or three who have served us part of this year, but are not now under appointment. These twenty-four missionaries, three of whom are in general work, the General Missionary, State Evangelist, and Superintendent of Gospel-Wagon Work, are caring for thirty-eight fields. The average support of the country pastors is not to exceed six hundred dollars. The largest salary any missionary pastor gets is twelve hundred dollars, in San Francisco. The largest appropriation made by the Board toward any missionary pastor is \$500, and the recipient covers three city fields, in different towns, and gets a total salary of about one thousand dollars above travelling expenses. It will be hard to find anywhere men who do more for less money than do the missionary pastors of California. Yet there are men not in the employ of the Board who also work large fields for a mere pittance in the way of support.

Last year was a dry year for California. This year, until two weeks ago, promised to be like it. Yet we have raised more money for State missions than in any year of which I have knowledge. We hope to discharge our debt to the Home Mission Society at the latest by the meeting of our Convention, August 1st. The prospect of the Anniversaries in San Francisco has been a great help in our work during this discouraging time. There are many signs that this is a fortunate time for a forward movement in our Baptist work. There are especial opportunities in city work. We look for large developments both at Palo Alto and Berkeley, the site of our two great universities, this year. Our Baptist cause was never more hopeful at these points. With all our hearts we welcome the Anniversaries. To all we say, Come and see.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA.

REV. C. T. DOUGLASS, PASADENA, CAL., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

It is not easy for our friends who live in the smaller States of the East to realize that the nine counties comprising what is commonly called Southern California are about equal in extent to the six New England States, and that, when Arizona is included, which is a part of this field, we have an area just about equal to the New England States and the four Middle States together.

For your General Missionary to go from one end of his field to the other requires a ride of nearly one thousand miles.

Much of this vast territory is rich in mineral and agricultural resources. And if there are large tracts of waste-land, that these may become fruitful at some future time is proven by the large sections where irrigation has been developed in the past, and thereby the desert has been made to "blossom as the rose."

Our mountains not only charm the eye with their magnificent scenery and give us our climate, hardly equaled in any other part of the world, but they are stored with mineral wealth with which the prospector and miner will be well rewarded for his labor for generations to come. But, better still, in these mountains are the sources of our water-supply, which, owing to the severe drought of the past year, have been so far developed as to prove, beyond a reasonable doubt, that there will be no lack of water with which to supply a population many times greater than the present.

In the Southern California Convention we have 66 churches, one of which has recently been organized. The membership now numbers a little over 6000. During the past year there were 950 additions, giving a net gain of about 400. Contributions for home work amounted to \$50,000, and \$11,000 for benevolence. The present value of church property is \$275,000. Seventeen missionaries have been employed for part or all of the time during the year, and good, faithful work has been done, the results of which cannot be fully estimated by figures.

For three or four years past the most discouraging feature of our work has been a steadily growing indebtedness, until at last it became such a burden as to render the successful prosecution of our work impossible. Your present General Missionary made the payment of this debt his first duty on entering upon his work, about a year ago. Most of the churches responded readily, and over \$7000 was raised, and the entire debt paid before the meeting of the Convention, in the fall, and that notwithstanding the severe drought, which made the times unusually hard financially. Of the above amount the Home Mission Society gave \$2230.92.

The year has been an unusually trying one, especially to those churches situated in sections of the country where the income of the people is derived chiefly from the raising of grain and other crops dependent upon the rain-fall; and some of those that ordinarily support themselves are in need of assistance just at the present time.

A church and Sunday-school have been organized at Whittier and a Sunday-school at San Pedro; both important points. Many other places should be occupied in the near future, and might have been before this except for lack of funds. Efforts are being made to organize work at various outstations, to be under the supervision of the nearest pastor, and in some cases to have one pastor care for two churches, but it does not seem practicable to do this in many cases on account of the distance between the churches. One District Missionary has been appointed for the hill section of San Diego County and others might very profitably be employed for other parts of the field.

One of the apparent needs in many of our churches is a more intense loyalty to our denominational interests and the adoption of some rule of

systematic beneficence instead of indiscriminate giving under the influence of mere sentiment.

ARIZONA.

In Arizona we have only seven churches, of which four are receiving aid from the Society. Most of these churches are doing well and have good, faithful men as pastors, who seem to be wisely leading the people in the pioneer work of this Territory. There are several towns along the two great railroad lines crossing the Territory where the Baptists should begin work at once and where to delay much longer will be to have the ground so fully occupied by others that we shall be at great disadvantage in organizing our work there. Your General Missionary intends to visit several of these points soon and see what can be done, but he is of the opinion that a District Missionary with special gifts for evangelistic work might be appointed for Arizona with great profit to our interests there.

Southern California and Arizona, in common with the entire Rocky Mountain Division, mourn the loss of Dr. H. C. Woods. It was my privilege to become quite intimately acquainted with him during the last year and a half of his life and thus to learn his worth as those who saw him only at intervals could not do. Truly, he was a man of God; always gentle and kind, but wise in counsel and firmly decided in what he was convinced was right, ever carrying the work on his heart and always planning for some advance. The loss, by his death, to this coast is indeed great. Long will he live in the memory of those who knew him as the faithful Christian minister and wise counsellor in all matters pertaining to the work of the Churches of his large field or the interests of Home Missions.

FRENCH MISSIONS IN NEW ENGLAND.

REV. J. N. WILLIAMS, PROVIDENCE, R. I., SUPERINTENDENT.

THE PROMINENT FEATURE OF LAST YEAR.

Each year of our French mission work, which it has so long been my privilege to represent, has seemed to be marked by some one prominent characteristic. One, we think of as a harvest year, with its couple of hundred baptisms. The feature of another seemed to be retrenchment. One year comes to mind as the year of expansion, when it was our privilege to speak of new fields and new laborers, to the number of eight, I believe. But no such tide as expansion, our nation's latest watch-word, has these twelve months past, borne onward our great and difficult work among French Romanists in New England. On the contrary, on the very threshold of the year, it met the policy: "That, in view of the many different interests appealing to the Home Mission Society for support, the

utmost limit in appropriations to French work had been reached, at least, pending larger contributions." This seemed not so bad as retrenchment. But one of the effects has been the dropping of the work of preparing French laborers at Newton Seminary. And it has seemed strange to us that, following right upon this declared anti-expansion policy of the Society, and as the Lord's reply to it, there has come to me, as your representative, the grandest opportunities, four in number, of securing for our great New England field some of the ablest, most experienced, and successful French laborers. Were I to give their names, no one would for a moment question the moderateness of the statement.

But this year also has had its striking feature. One word best expresses it:

WORK.

We doubt whether we could have recorded in any of the preceding twenty-five years anything in the line of effort to evangelize this people, which, either in amount or aggressiveness, comes up to the measure of this last year. No year has been less a dilly-dallying in the trenches, but rather of continuous maneuvering for advance and the carrying of the mighty enemy's works. Never before have so many copies of God's Word been placed in Roman-Catholic families, or so many tracts distributed, or visits made. As a sample, we give Brother G. Aubin's report: Families visited, above 7000; New Testaments distributed, 168; pages of religious literature, about 100,000. There are three avenues to reach French Roman Catholics with the truths of the Gospel, which a hostile priesthood has not, at least yet, found the means of closing: Outdoor proclamation of the Gospel, personal visitation, and the dissemination of Christian literature. During the Summer months, night after night and on Sundays, in twenty or more centers of French population, our missionaries have proclaimed the Gospel to crowds of listeners. It is not that opposition to such methods has been lacking on the part of the clergy. More than once a priest has appeared, and, by looks and words, has tried to hitch his influence on to the crowd, and, to use a lumber-shanty term, endeavored to "snake" out hearers from the circle of listeners. But this has never proved more than a momentary success, for, with the priest's disappearance, the terrorized have returned. Severer measures have been resorted to. Bro. J. C. Smith relates: "Miss O., sister of the sexton of the French church, one day, as we were holding outdoor services, took a seat on one of the chairs of the workers. Immediately it was reported to the priest that the sister of his own sexton had joined the Chiniquys. The priest hurried over to his sexton's to order him to turn his sister outdoors, as she was then boarding in his family, and he had to do it, or lose his place. But this sister has remained with us, firm in the faith of the Gospel." Another poor woman fared worse. He relates: "Standing among the

hearers, with a babe in her arms, and, being weary, she, too, sat down in one of the chairs brought for the convenience of the workers. Immediately the poor woman became the target for insults, and in her immediate neighborhood was attacked, pushed down, and repeatedly struck, notwithstanding her delicate condition of health." But we know of but one case where a priest's anathemas were entirely successful in keeping his people away. The Gospel wagon for this once, was shorn of its attractiveness, made a veritable scarecrow and was avoided as if loaded with dynamite. It looks as if he was rewarded for his denunciatory powers, for he has just been transferred, from an inconsiderable factory-village parish, to the rectorship of one of fashionable Newport's principal Roman Catholic churches.

One of our brethren, unable to secure a Gospel wagon, nothing daunted, went to work, framed a portable pulpit, a sort of altar, with two horns to suspend lanterns needed to read from the Word of God; tacked over this rough skeleton of a pulpit the stars and stripes as trimmings, and thus proclaimed, night after night, with his stentorian voice, to audiences amounting, at thirteen services, to 3150 hearers, drawn within the sound of the good tidings of salvation. The courage and effort demanded for such work can only be estimated by those familiar with large Roman Catholic audiences. The wife of our brother, a lady of refinement and culture, and of social prominence, when a Catholic, among her people, hardly felt that she could bear the opprobrium heaped at times upon the Protestant missionary in outdoor services, and let the husband start off alone with his improvised pulpit; but, hardly had the multitude gathered about him, when he saw his companion, who had gathered new courage by prayer, making her way through the rough crowd, to stand by his side and help him in the service of song, to dispose the rough audience to listen respectfully and attentively to the message from God's Word. Speaking of these experiences, our brother says: "I thank the Lord for His loving kindness in taking away from me the fear of man. I have been very persistent in asking God to grant me that blessing, which He did—glory to His Name." Our missionary in Fall River, Rev. G. Aubin, with the occasional assistance of a Brother Papineau, colporteur of the Publication Society at present, has worked with heroic diligence and bravery to see how far it is possible, at any sacrifice, to place Gospel truth in the homes of this people, so completely kept from all the influence of all our religious literature by the strict orders from Roman Catholic pulpits to read nothing whatever that does not come to them with the *imprimatur* or signature of a bishop. Tractlets, inexpensively prepared by the use of the mimeograph, containing a brief, strong, clear statement of some one important Gospel truth, in the form of a letter, and enclosed in a neat envelope, have been placed by the thousands in Canadian homes by thorough visitation from

door to door. Of such work, a new feature, which has found favor among the other missionaries, several of whom have followed his example, Brother Aubin writes:

"During the last week we have met 1600 families, to give them religious literature, and have conversed with hundreds of people. The whole city is on fire." "Yesterday afternoon we placed the Word of God in 10 new families, and distributed 74 letters." "We have had a good week. We placed 24 New Testaments in new Catholic families. Glorious time. We had some rather exciting experiences. I came pretty near being pitched down the stairs from the third story of a tenement house in Bowenville. But God protected me, and, before going out of the house, the man was persuaded to accept a copy of the Gospel." "I gave my lecture in English last Wednesday. There were some 50 Irish Romanists present." (An audience of 600 attended this lecture.) "I distributed at the meeting 450 of my books and 400 of my letters."

CONCENTRATION.

Since the year of our threatening debt, and the consequent retrenchment policy all our Home-Mission French work has been withdrawn from States outside of New England. It is not that no demand exists for such work throughout our land, with its French-Canadian population of 1,218,450, besides numerous France-French colonies, and especially in such States as New York, with 137,000. French-Canadians, Roman Catholics, and a Northern border almost wholly in their possession, farms, and towns; Michigan, with its 127,000; Illinois, with its 100,000; Minnesota, with its 70,800, and Wisconsin, with its 55,000. Nor is it because there are no Christian men and women in these other States who feel the need of evangelizing this vast host who have come to take part in shaping the destinies of our beloved land. From Oregon a Christian woman writes: "Will you kindly send me the address of the Baptist organ for the French Canadians of New England. I wish to send in four subscriptions to the paper." From St. Paul, Minn., a prominent pastor writes: "I have in my church a Brother M., who is working earnestly among the poorer classes of French-Canadians, mostly Roman Catholics. I am anxious to supplement his work wherever I can. Will you send me a copy of your booklet, price in quantities, etc.?" Thus, from pastors and others, have come to us quite a number of such-like proofs that this work is on the heart of God's people in Middle and Western States also. And we deeply regret the necessity which has limited French mission-work to a few Eastern States, and yet, in view of the immensity of this one field, we may not doubt the wisdom of such a policy of concentration.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Massachusetts, according to latest statistics, has a French-Canadian population of 272,525, with great centers of that people, 27,000 in Fall River, 22,000 in Lowell, 12,000 or more each in New Bedford, Holyoke, Worcester. Our French work in this State is carried on in coöperation with the Baptist State Convention, per agreement, in exactly equal proportions. Rarely, so far as our experience goes, have State Conventions continued work so essentially missionary and difficult as the evangelizing of Roman Catholics, and have usually dropped it, as in New York State, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Vermont, etc., to devote their funds to what is usually regarded as their more legitimate work—the propping up and strengthening of feeble churches. But the Massachusetts Convention, though entering late into coöperation in French mission work, is doing now even more than its full half. In this connection we may say that it is the good fortune of our French work that the Massachusetts Convention is one of the strongest, and that it has, as Secretary and among its Directors, influential brethren, who understand the import of New England's new conditions, and are deeply interested in the solving of the foreign problem of the State. Probably over two-thirds of our French work is within the boundaries of Massachusetts. Our friends may best judge of this work by the following:

BRIEF QUOTATIONS FROM MISSIONARIES' REPORTS.

REV. G. AUBIN, FALL RIVER.—“Yesterday P.M. I spoke outdoors on the Common to a crowd of from 600 to 800.” “Yesterday and day before we placed 18 New Testaments in Catholic families. A week of victories. We rejoiced to be able thus to distribute the Word of God.” “A young man, Roman Catholic, converted. Later I will give you the particulars.” “An American minister from West Rutland writes to me for letters. He is trying to reach the French-Canadian Catholics. Some attend his services and lately he has baptized two of them.”

REV. B. F. BENOIT, WEBSTER, and vicinity, comprising centers of French population, where, during the Summer months, he and Bro. Leger held Gospel-carriage services, attended by from 300 to 3000 hearers. He writes: “There are 40 French Protestant families in my field.” “There are 26 Roman Catholic families in addition, who are so far won over to the Gospel that I can freely visit them and read and pray in their homes, and even hold cottage meetings in their houses. I have had six baptisms. Four others I count as truly converted, though they have not yet united by baptism.”

REV. O. BROUILLETTE, MARLBORO, writes: “Thirty-four French-Canadians are members of the church. Our subscriptions to the church amount to \$127, a decrease from last year, on account of the hard times, resulting

from a general strike in the shoe-shops, now in its seventeenth week. It has affected us both morally and financially." "A new interest seems to manifest itself among Roman Catholics." "Of the two have been baptized in this field, one is that very interesting case that appeared in the *Home Mission Echoes* of January: 'Why She Renounced Romanism.' "

REV. C. L. CHARRON, ordained in June, and appointed to labor in Lawrence, writes: "I have a somewhat better report to give than I expected I would have on first coming to this field, not so much from the number of baptisms, but from the conversions, some seven in number, with which God has favored us, and especially for the friendly disposition of the French toward the Gospel. It seems to me that there is quite a movement among that people in the direction of an earnest desire to know the truth. On the 19th of this month some of our converts from Rome are to be baptized. I wish that you could be present to take part in that service." He also speaks of a meeting, where two Roman Catholics, husband and wife, who had been reading the Bible some six or eight months past, publicly declared that they were done with Rome. Seven baptisms are reported from this field.

REV. ISAAC LAFLEUR writes from his field in New Bedford, once our great emporium of the whale-oil industry, but now one of our greatest centers of cotton mills, which have attracted, among other foreigners, some 12,000 French Canadians: "I may say that the year ending March 1st has been well filled. It has been one of the most blessed in my missionary work. The light is breaking, prejudices are being removed from our people, and we have better access among them," etc. Of a Sunday in July he writes: "We had 51 persons at the preaching service and 53 at the Sabbath-school. In the evening seven of our converts were baptized in the Baptist Church. Our mission was represented on the occasion by some 45 of our members." Contributions in this mission have amounted to \$183.69.

Our very important mission in Lowell has had unusual trials this last year. But our brother, I. B. LECLAIRE, who has sent in his resignation, to take effect the 1st of April, reports six baptisms, collections \$110.22, and writes somewhat cheerily: "This is my seventh year of labor in Lowell, and I am happy to say that this last year has been one of success in efforts to reach Roman Catholics. There is a great change, not only among the young people but with the fathers and mothers of Roman Catholic families. The Baptist mission has now a beautiful house of worship in the center of the French-Canadian population, and there has been a large number of conversions. I have reason to believe that there is a bright future for this mission, and we pray that, as God has blessed the missionary these seven years past, that he will also in the coming years. Friends of all denominations have contributed of their means to this work

of the Lord and I owe a debt of gratitude to the Lowell Baptist Union Board for their generosity and their interest in the French work."

Our missionary in Gardner and vicinity, BRO. F. A. PERRON, reports from this comparatively new field four baptisms, heads of large families, and a very large distribution of copies of the New Testament among Roman Catholics.

REV. A. P. ROSSIER labored some seven months in Fitchburg, where the three or four thousand French-Canadians are under the spiritual direction of a Roman Catholic order of priests, known as Fathers of La Salette, who are very hostile to evangelical work, making this field a peculiarly difficult one. During that time our brother reports some 70 copies of the Word of God placed in Roman Catholic families, and says: "I had the Gospel wagon one week, and we preached to large crowds on the street corners." Of labors in the vicinity he says: "I visited Westminster, Lunenburg. Scrabble Hollow, Ashly, Shirley. In these towns I placed 16 Testaments, and was never better received in my life than by these country people." A good work might be done in these towns. In September our young brother's career as a missionary among the Roman Catholic French of New England was cut short by his acceptance of a call to a French and English self-supporting church in Stryker, Ohio.

A BRO. H. C. SENE, now in the employ of the Baptist Publication Society, as regular colporteur throughout Massachusetts towns, labored for a short time under the auspices of the Home Mission Society at Waltham, the great watch-manufacturing town of Massachusetts. Had we been able to take up that brother at the close of his studies at Newton, he would have done good work in Waltham. He had rallied around him a nucleus of 20 or more. Speaking of these and of two influential Catholic families who had become interested in the Gospel before he left, he says: "I have no doubt but that we would have made valuable acquisitions at Waltham had we continued our work there."

BRO. J. C. SMITH, writing from his field in Salem says: "We have some 12 Roman Catholic families that are interested in the Gospel. Nearly all of them are attendants, more or less, upon our regular services." "I should like to have you with us at one of our outdoor services. There is perfect quiet, and you can speak to them upon any topic you choose. I have been assisted several times by some one of the city pastors, and they have been surprised to see the large numbers which gather and the perfect order. The Lord is with us, and is blessing us in our meetings. We expect to have several go forward in baptism before long."

WORCESTER.—The REV. A. ST. JAMES, besides rendering great service to the work, in presenting the claims of the French missions in behalf of the Massachusetts State Convention, in many of the influential churches of the State of Massachusetts, has still charge of the important field of

Worcester. He reports 8 baptisms; a goodly French Protestant constituency, 77 families; 7 regular meetings per week, besides cottage meetings averaging $1\frac{1}{2}$ weekly. Speaking of an out-station where work was recently commenced, he says: "The work at North Brookfield is interesting. We had 125 at meetings, and already four families have declared themselves Protestants. These families made a visit to Worcester to attend our services. That is good evidence of their sincerity. Two young men from Switzerland have become identified with our work, and take active part in our meetings. One was baptized three months ago." He bears this testimony to the efficiency of our veteran missionary, Rev. E. Leger, who is now laboring as our Bro. St. James' assistant, and is expected to devote time during the Summer months to the Gospel-wagon work, in which, with his excellent musical gifts, he renders very effective service.

RHODE ISLAND

Stands next to Massachusetts in the amount devoted to the evangelization of the French Roman Catholics, sustaining one missionary wholly and co-operating with our Society in the support of another, the REV. N. N. AUBIN, our missionary in Woonsocket. The diocese of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Rhode Island extends beyond the limits of the State somewhat, including the two large centers of French Roman Catholic population in Massachusetts, Fall River and New Bedford. The French of his diocese number 82,000, making the population of that nationality in the State some 45,000. This element is quite largely in a majority over all others in one of its principal cities, Woonsocket. Our missionary from this great center of that people writes: "We had two weeks of open-air meetings last Summer, with an average attendance of 500. I have gone into the homes of nearly 3000 families, and was well received, except in a few cases." He reports 30 French Protestant families and 45 Baptist members, and, as some encouraging features: "The people are reading the Bible, hundreds of them." "They are not satisfied with their religion."

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Baptists have not overlooked the 57,500 Roman Catholic French-Canadians in their State. The State Convention has coöperated most cordially with our Society in sustaining the REV. G. G. BRIEN in Nashua, and this year have added a small amount for the employment of a colporteur. Results have been conversions among that people in some few centers, such as Nashua, Great Falls, etc., and the erection of a good house of worship in Nashua. Our brother reports for the last year six baptisms and total attendance 2272. A foundation for important work has been wisely laid in the Granite State.

CONNECTICUT

Baptist State Convention has coöperated to the amount of \$500 in sustaining our BRO. T. TETREAULT in Eastern Connecticut. To this brother's heroic endeavors we have already referred in speaking of the improvised pulpit for his open-air meetings. Bro. T. reports three baptisms, much work, and 28 French Protestant families as the nucleus of his mission. In view of the amount devoted by that State to French evangelization, and thus devoted because one-half comes thereto designated from one of the good friends of that work in Putnam, we sometimes think that our brethren of the Convention cannot be aware that there is in their State a French-Canadian population of 45,000; that French mission work has given to one church in their midst from 60 to 75 members, gathered from the ranks of Romanism, in Putnam; a score or more to another Baptist church in Danielson and that over 25 families of converted French Romanists have gone forth from just one field, Putnam, to be useful among their countrymen elsewhere, wherever the nomadic life of our operatives has led them.

MAINE.

We have but one missionary in this great State, the REV. P. N. CAYER, stationed at Waterville. There have been this last year conversions from Romanism and three baptisms. This has long been one of our most flourishing missions. It has in its progress changed a whole French community; placed on the spot where once stood a vile dance hall and a viler saloon, a beautiful mission chapel; brought into the ranks of Protestantism, three or four hundred French Romanists; added over 100 members to a Baptist church—according to recent revised list, an actual French membership of 88. We think it strange that, notwithstanding God's favor thus resting upon French mission work in that State; notwithstanding the fact that its northern border is in full possession of that people; that some of its manufacturing towns are in majority French Romanists, and that 62,450 of its population are of that nationality, that our good Maine Baptist Convention should have been willing to settle down of late into a policy of complete neglect of that portion of the people, discontinuing its co-operation, and, so far as this French mission work is concerned, being well nigh as cold as the ice of their Kennebec.

VERMONT.

No French missionary work is done in this one of the Eastern States. Flourishing French missions have existed in the past, when many hundreds of that people have been brought to the knowledge of the truth. They are found, quite a number of them, in Vermont Baptist churches. I meet them here and there in Eastern States. That work has given to our

common Protestantism ministers, deacons, many godly men and women. But the weak condition of our denomination in that State is such that, in the view of its leaders, not a cent can be spared for the 42,600 French within its borders. Such work is not, however, without its friends in Vermont.

• The Lady Principal of one of its chief institutions of learning, Vermont Academy, requested to prepare an article on the evangelization of the French Romanists, recently wrote to your General Missionary, acknowledging receipt of works on this subject, the following kind words, which doubtless voice the sentiment of some of the best men and women in that State, and which, like a ray of sunshine, came from the only New England State which has settled down to a record of zero in its French mission work:

"My own interest in work among the French Canadians was first aroused during a residence of a few years in Toronto. When asked to prepare a paper last Fall upon the New England Department of the work I was more than willing to undertake it. . . . How to Christianize these French Catholics of New England is clearly the present question for Christians of New England to solve, and it seems to me her future religious life is involved in the issue."

Such as it is, wishing that it might have been better and believing that, in years to come it will be, we submit the record of another year to the kind and careful attention of our many friends. Let no one begrudge the expensiveness or the labor of evangelizing Roman Catholics in our country. When our God, in His overruling providence, is making this nation spend its hundreds of millions to free a few isles of the sea from the hoary ills of Spanish Romanism, why may not our great denomination spend a few thousand dollars a year to save our beloved New England from the imported ills of French-Canadian Romanism?

At the beginning of the year, worried by unusual perplexities of administration, apprehensive, perhaps, lest advancing years should have disqualified somewhat for the task, I placed in your hands, Bro. Secretary, my resignation. At the close of the year, though it has not been our best by far, I feel most profoundly thankful for that consideration and kindness which brought to me the advice to withdraw that resignation, and have planned and worked and prayed with more courage and faith than ever before.

THE GERMAN WORK.

REV. G. A. SCHULTE, JERSEY CITY, N. J., SUPERINTENDENT.

It is with gratitude to God for the many tokens of His favor during the past year that I submit my annual report of the work among the Germans.

In reviewing the past I find it rather difficult to sum up the year's work in definite expressions in a brief report, and at the same time give a clear and comprehensive statement in regard to the work actually done in the extensive field, covering very nearly all the Northern States, from the Atlantic to the Pacific Coast.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

The number of German churches on the whole field is, according to the last reports, 239, with a membership of 22,162, and 23,984 scholars and teachers in the Sunday-schools. The number of baptisms is 1079, while 1077 were received by letter and experience. The churches raised for current expenses \$129,870.16; for missionary and educational purposes \$81,058.47; the Sunday-schools raised and expended \$16,893.30; the women's missionary societies \$7,238.48, and the young people's societies \$4489.26. This makes a total of \$239,549.67, or about \$10.70 for each member.

CHURCHES ORGANIZED AND CHAPELS DEDICATED.

Eight new churches were organized during the year in the following States: two in South Dakota, one each in North Dakota, Minnesota, Washington, Oregon, Illinois, and Ohio.

Fifteen new meeting-houses were dedicated; three of them were fine buildings, erected by self-supporting churches, while the others were on mission fields. The Society, through its Church-Edifice Department, has aided in the building of five of these chapels, while all the others, with the exception of one, were paid for with money raised in the German churches.

THE MISSIONARIES.

The number of missionaries appointed by the Society during the year, or part of the year, is 82. This is a larger number than ever before in one year. They labored in the following States and Territories: Connecticut 2, New York 5, New Jersey 7, Pennsylvania 2, Ontario 2, Ohio 3, Michigan 3, Indiana 1, Illinois 9, Wisconsin 2, Iowa 2, Minnesota 5, South Dakota 4, North Dakota 6, Nebraska 5, Kansas 4, Colorado 1, Oregon 3, California 3, Washington 1, Oklahoma 1, Northwest Territories 5.

This list includes five students from the German Department of Rochester Theological Seminary, who labored only during the summer vacations. Several of the missionaries have only recently been appointed, and have just begun their labors on their respective fields.

This number of missionaries may seem large, yet when the immense territory in all these States is considered, the supply has been anything but adequate. Loud and urgent appeals have frequently been received to oc-

cupy large centers of our German population as missionary fields, but they had to remain unheeded for lack of means to support new laborers.

RESULTS.

The results of this year's work, according to the missionaries' reports, are as follows: Weeks of labor 2831, sermons preached 7534, prayer-meetings conducted 3910, pastoral visits made 21,650, received by baptism 282, and by letter and experience 296. The mission churches numbered 5516 members, and 5880 scholars in the Sunday-schools.

Much faithful work done by the missionaries cannot be expressed in figures. Their personal labors of love in dealing with individuals and families, their ministrations to the sick and dying cannot be reported on the blanks of the Society. In this respect the last winter was a specially severe one, as much sickness has prevailed throughout the country. Many letters accompanying the last quarterly reports contain language similar to the following from a missionary in North Dakota: "During the last two months I stood at the graves of seven children. Frequently I was up all night with the sick and dying. Coming home sometimes from a mission station, after a hard day's work, at 11 P. M., I found a team waiting to take me again 10 or 15 miles over the prairie. Frequently I felt like breaking down. However, I had precious experiences in ministering to these afflicted ones. The thought that we are not here to live for ourselves, but, like our Master, for others, has upheld me."

NEW FIELDS.

We were able to take up 10 new mission fields. Four of these are in cities, and six in country districts. I will mention a few of these.

A missionary was appointed for the Puget Sound cities—Tacoma and Seattle in Washington. A little church of seven members was recently organized by Missionary Kliwer in Tacoma, and the first baptism performed among the Germans in the State of Washington.

On January 1, 1899, Rev. L. Vogt began his work as itinerant missionary among the scattered Germans in Oklahoma. Already an appeal has come from Washita County, where a church of 22 members is about to be organized for the appointment of a permanent missionary.

Brother E. Wolf was appointed from December 1, 1898, to do similar work on the Yankton Indian Reservation, South Dakota, which is rapidly filling up with German settlers. Here a church, with 24 members, was recently organized, and a meeting-house is in the course of erection, which they hope to finish without any aid from the Society.

Brother Robert Finske was appointed to labor at Harvey and Casselman, North Dakota, which is a new German settlement. A church has

already been organized, with 28 members, and has more than doubled itself within a few months, and has, according to his last report, 70 members. Two meeting-houses are being built, towards one of which it is expected the Church-Edifice Department will make a grant of \$200.

The City Missionary Society of Cleveland, O., has erected a beautiful mission-chapel in the southern part of the city, among a numerous German population. Rev. F. P. Kruse, a graduate of the German Department of Rochester, was appointed to labor there, and we hope soon to be able to report the organization of the fourth German Baptist church at Cleveland, O.

The first German church at Newark, N. J., is following in the footsteps of the First German church at Chicago. It has recently dedicated a beautiful mission-chapel on Sixteenth avenue, in a part of the city where there is no other German church. While the church pays for the building, it expects that the Society will assist it in the support of a missionary for a year or two until the church to be organized will be self-supporting.

CHURCHES WHICH BECAME SELF-SUSTAINING.

Five of our mission churches had on June 1, 1898, become self-supporting. One is located in Alberta, N. W. T., one in North Dakota, two in Illinois, one in La Crosse, Wis. The latter is quite a young church, organized only four years ago, with a few members, and has now a membership of 54. This still small, but willing, band of workers and givers have purchased and paid for, without any outside help, church property in the city valued at \$3700. A good sister, one of the constituent members of the church, has donated a fine dwelling-house to the church, the income of which will help it to be self-supporting. Besides this, they have stretched their arms across the Mississippi, and have erected a beautiful chapel in a German settlement, where their pastor is doing mission work.

HOPEFUL OUTLOOK.

While no extensive revivals have occurred, yet a hopeful spirit pervades the churches. The very severe weather during the past winter was a cause of disappointment to many of our missionaries, who expected a great ingathering of souls, but were unable in some cases for weeks to hold any meetings. Quite a number report numerous conversions on their fields: as, for instance, Rev. A. Marquardt, Beatrice, Neb., over 30; Rev. John Baasner, South Dakota, 16, and others smaller numbers, but owing to the inclemency of the weather the baptisms had to be postponed.

TWO LANGUAGES—ONE CAUSE.

Some of our most efficient and successful laborers in the past are now frequently complaining that they are losing their best members, who, after

having been trained in German churches, go to "mow" in the more inviting fields of English-speaking churches. While this is no loss to the denomination, it is extremely discouraging to the missionary, as he sees the fruit of his labors gathered in by others, and all his hopes for the upbuilding of a self-supporting church dashed to the ground. Churches already self-supporting are hindered in this way in the prosecution of aggressive work for the evangelization of their countrymen. This work among the Germans is not continued for the sake of keeping up a foreign language, but in order to reach by means of the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ those who can in no other way be reached. It is a fact that, while the young people soon can make themselves familiar with the English language the host of adult Germans will know English so imperfectly that the Gospel in the English language is practically no gospel to them.

Notwithstanding this constant drain, especially upon the older churches, some reach a good and fruitful age. One of these celebrated recently its fiftieth birthday. During its existence it has become the mother church of four other churches in the same city. There are at present over 300 members in the several English churches of the same city, who were formerly in connection with the German work. A prominent pastor of one of these English-speaking churches made the significant remark, at the Anniversary, concerning the efficiency and high esteem in which the Germans are held by their American brethren: "We highly welcome the German brethren in our midst, and find that even those whom you do not want are good and useful members in our churches." The old church is still not only in existence, but full of life and activity. It is the spiritual birthplace of the writer, who was baptized into its fellowship in 1858.

OUTLAY.

The Society has paid during the year for the German work, \$14,799.02. One-half of this amount—i. e., \$7399.51, has been paid by the German churches into the treasury of the Society.

SUPERINTENDENT'S WORK.

In regard to my own work, I am obliged to report that the field is so large, and the calls for counsel and supervision so many and urgent that your Superintendent has often wished to duplicate himself in order to be in more than one place at the same time. Expressed in figures, I have visited 95 churches, preached 116 sermons, delivered 96 addresses, attended 55 prayer-meetings, traveled 15,469 miles, have written 944 letters, also a large number of articles for the *Sendbote*, and have prepared several circulars, also a leaflet on the German work for distribution in the churches. During the last winter a large number of missionary rallies were arranged in the interest of home and foreign missions, conducted by

the Superintendent and Rev. J. Heinrichs, a Telugu missionary here on furlough. They have been very successful, which was proved by the large attendance, and the spirit manifested in the meetings.

OUR PRESENT NEEDS.

Four years ago a reduction was made in the appropriation for German work. This necessitated retrenchment along the whole line. Last year the Board limited the amount to be appropriated to \$7750. We greatly desire and need an increase of \$1250 in the appropriation, to make an advance movement in the closing year of the Nineteenth Century. This would make the appropriation by the Society \$9000. Is this too much for the whole denomination to spend, through their Home Mission Society, for the German work, which the Lord has so signally blessed, not only for the salvation of many thousands of Germans, but also for the denomination at large, as so many have entered from our German ranks through the always "open door" into English-speaking churches.

Such an increase would stir up new interest among our own people, so that I feel free in promising that a similar amount will be raised in the German churches. Thus, \$18,000 would be secured for the German work, and I am sure the results would amply justify the increased expenditure. In politics our German brethren may be divided as to the wisdom of "expansion," but in the affairs of the Kingdom we are thorough "expansionists," and our motto is: "In Christ alone is salvation for our people."

THE CITY OF MEXICO.

REV. WILLIAM H. SLOAN.

One of the most distant points from the United States reached by the American Baptist Home Mission Society in its work is our mission in the City of Mexico, and its sister church in Puebla, a hundred miles still further south and east. It takes about three thousand miles of travel from New York City to reach us, and the nearest American territory is some twelve hundred miles away. Although geographically near to the United States, there is probably less known to-day about Mexico than of almost any other country claiming to be civilized; certainly not so much as concerning Egypt, Palestine, the leading States of British India, Cuba, or Puerto Rico. It is doubtful if as large a proportion as one in a thousand of the fairly educated men in the United States could at once, and without reference to an encyclopedia, locate and name the twenty-seven States and two territories into which the Republic of Mexico is divided, or so many of its cities and towns as have a population in excess of fifteen or twenty thousand.

And yet the Republic of Mexico is bound to be a factor to be reck-

oned with in the near future. She is forging ahead with marvelous rapidity. English, German, and American capital are seeking investment, and the entire country is becoming penetrated with new ideas and new ambitions. The attention of Americans, and especially of American Christians, is being drawn to this mighty republic as a field for Christian work, perhaps one of the most promising of those whose doors are to-day opened wide to the coming of the Gospel. Much is being said about Mexico, and more is being written about it in newspapers, magazines, and books, and it cannot surely be long before good will come of it, and missionaries be hurried in to occupy every point of importance in the land. Our new American possessions may for a time demand attention, and awaken more or less enthusiasm, but a careful study of the situation will not fail to impress the Christian world that this land with its magnificent field for investment, and its vigorous, progressive race of people occupies a strategic position in North America, and should not be neglected in the feverish anxiety to occupy new fields.

STEADY PROGRESS.

We are constantly asked, Is it worth while to work in, and for, Mexico? Can you missionaries tell us what are your hopes for that splendid, but priest-ridden land? We believe with all our hearts in the glorious future of this republic, and we believe that some day, notwithstanding the little interest taken in it now, it will become Immanuel's land. Every State is working for the advancement of its future citizens. Schools and colleges are being multiplied, large sums of money are being spent in perfecting the educational system, and an increasing number of people is learning to read, and so to have access to the Word of God and Christian periodicals. A stable government ensures progress, prosperity, and protection, and we are confident that great spiritual results are to follow in the wake of these material blessings.

There have been ups and downs in the Baptist work throughout the country, but in our most important center, the Capital itself, it has been steadily moving upwards for several years past. We cannot chronicle large gains as to church membership, but we preach to increasing multitudes, processions of people, throughout the year. Our church and three mission-stations keep the light burning amid the surrounding darkness. We maintain the faith, and urge the duty of obedience to Christ in all things. A pure church amid the lax morality and loose practices that surround us is our constant theme and aim, and the Lord is permitting us to see such a people gradually growing into full spiritual likeness to their great Head. Merely as centers of tract-distribution and Sunday-school instruction; if in no other way, our preaching-stations must do an enormous amount of good; when to those we add the constant preaching of the Gospel to

several hundred people every week, many of whom have never heard it before, and perhaps never will again, may we not believe that permanent fruit will be brought forth, in accordance with the divine promise? Will the Lord permit these years of patient seed-sowing to pass away without some day giving an abundant harvest? Surely not. But we see already many signs of the coming reaping. In fact we are permitted to gather a few sheaves all along the way, as we labor and wait for the larger harvest.

The year now closing has been a prosperous one in nearly every department of our work. Our church has reached a membership of about 170, while the attendance in our missions has been encouraging. Eleven persons were baptized during the month of March, and from our printing-press a volume of "Spurgeon's Sermons" in Spanish has been issued. Our press continues to turn out thousands of tracts every year, and our Baptist paper, *La Luz*, continues to visit regularly the homes of Mexican Christians all over the republic, and is making its way also into Cuba and Puerto Rico. A Puerto Rican who six months ago had never heard of the Gospel of Christ has sent us the money and names for three copies of the paper, and is hoping to increase the list.

A pleasant diversion during the year for the missionary in charge, made possible by a three-months' leave of absence granted him by the Board, was a visit made to Puerto Rico in the months of October, November, and December, 1898, and the preaching of the Good News to a people who had never heard it. It was a blessed privilege and experience, and it has contributed not a little to brace up Christian faith, and establish our confidence in the ultimate outcome of missionary work.

Our Sunday-schools we find to be most important agencies in our work, and we are bestowing increasing attention upon them. Many people drop into the service when they hear the singing, and the treatment of the lesson affords opportunity to touch upon a wide range of topics in which the Catholic as well as Protestant is interested, so that the service becomes evangelical as well as educational. The results have been surprisingly good. Our Sunday-schools in the church proper, and in the missions of Guadalupe, Santa Maria, and Nahuatlato have all been greatly blessed as evangelizing agencies.

The work of putting into Spanish original and selected denominational tracts has been carried along during the year, and our Spanish literature is constantly being enriched in this way. We greatly need special contributions for this important department of our work.

A kindergarten conducted by Mrs. H. B. Roberts has been added to the mission, and gives promise of becoming a most useful adjunct. But the question arises, What shall we do with the children when they have finished their course in the kindergarten? That we need a higher school, in which the pupils, the girls at least, could be kept under Christian tutelage for some

years, is patent to every one who visits our mission and studies the problem of the evangelization of Mexico. We are praying God to put into some heart the establishment of a high-grade boarding-school for girls in the City of Mexico. The recent visit of Mrs. M. C. Reynolds, Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society we hope will result in the building of such an institution.

A feature of our work that is giving great satisfaction is the use of the bicycle in tract-distribution. The valley of Mexico, in its length of forty-five miles, studded with innumerable towns and hamlets, and traversed by magnificent avenues that have been trodden for nearly a thousand years, affords a fine field for work of this nature. During the year we have handed from the wheel to passers-by over ten thousand tracts, and have had the satisfaction of looking back at many groups who had sought the shade of the huge cypress trees to read what we had given them.

Having been for over two years preaching to three congregations, and sometimes four, without a native Mexican helper, we are rejoicing at the coming of a Titus in the person of Ernesto Barocio, a young married Baptist, who gives promise of great usefulness on this field. The skies are bright with hope and cheer, and we are looking for a rich blessing from the Lord of the Harvest.

NEW LAREDO, MEXICO.

REV. J. F. KIMBALL, MISSIONARY.

I send a "brief statement" of work done since May 1, 1898. Sermons preached 177, Sunday-school sessions 83, prayer-meetings 55, baptisms 13, persons and families religiously visited 913. This work has been done mainly in New Laredo and Columbia, Mexico, and Laredo, Tohig, and Cotulla, Texas. Considerable ranch work has also been done. We have sold a few Bibles and Testaments, and would have sold more, but the American Bible Society has had, most of the time, one of their agents on this frontier, and he has done a very successful work. We do a continual, active tract work.

We have one student for the ministry, a young man, whom I baptized last May in Cotulla, Texas. He already has some educational advantages and bids fair to make a useful worker. I am carrying on a little day-school, which has, since September, when I began, grown from 3 to 20. Several of the children are from among the leading families of the town. From the proceeds of the school I support our student for the ministry. He helps me teach, and is at the same time a student.

The terrific smallpox epidemic has, for the last six weeks, thrown us clear out of the line of the regular work, and has caused, perhaps, some little spiritual retrogression in the membership. While the public meetings

are a prolific medium in the propagation of the disease, and while there is still imminent danger that we may fall a victim to its ravages, we have, nevertheless, ventured to resume regular work in our home church. We began last Sunday (12th inst.) with encouraging prospects. At Sunday-school 15 were present, and 18 at the night preaching. At prayer-meeting last night 19 were present.

We will commence the building of our meeting-house soon. We have already quite an amount of material on the lot for building, and have an architect drawing plan and specifications. The auditorium will be 43x26 feet in the clear, with bay-window 6 feet deep, 2 class-rooms, 20x11 feet 9 inches in the clear, separated from the auditorium by 2 folding-doors 10 feet wide, a tower 11 x 11 feet, a baptistery and two small subterranean baptismal apartments. We hope to have the house finished within the next three months.

While the disappointed fish-and-loaves seekers have not ceased to sow tares among the wheat, we are sure the truth has progressed and now holds more commanding positions than ever before. Many of the leading people claim to be "Free Thinkers," but still, deep down in their soul, there is a mighty latent, understratum of Romanism, which is potent to assert itself when it is known that death is at the door. With the exception of a comparatively small minority, the people are awfully, morally, corrupt, and are given to all kinds of licentious pleasures. Sunday is the principal day for high carnival.

Besides the widespread smallpox epidemic, a terrible drought is upon us, and these two contemporaneous events are going to make the work hard and slow of progress for some months to come. Thousands of stock of all kinds have died (are still dying) all along this frontier during the winter, and, unless it rains abundantly in the remaining days of this month, nothing will be cropped here this year. A large majority of the people will have a hard struggle to live.

PUEBLA, MEXICO.

REV. F. URIEGAS, MISSIONARY.

The following is a brief statement of the work on my field during last year:

In general I may say that the work here is good and prosperous, though during this quarter it has been somewhat broken by such an epidemic of gripe, scarlet fever, and measles as there has not been before, almost all my children having been sick of the latter. Many of our members were also sick. However, our Sunday-school is very well attended. The evening services the attendance is not so large as in past days. However, we are trying to do the best we can under the circumstances, and hope for

better times in the future. We have an average attendance in the Sunday-school of about 40 persons, and from 20 to 30 in the other meetings. In special services we have larger attendances. For instance, on December 23, 1898, we had a splendid Christmas entertainment, and more than 200 people crowded our chapel and a neighboring room. We had not a larger attendance, because we had no more room for them. The first day of this year we had also a thanksgiving service, being one of the most precious meetings we have had for a long while, and our meeting-house was well filled. The same we may say of a precious service we had on Sunday night, January 15th, when Mrs. M. C. Reynolds, Secretary of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, visited us, in her trip through Mexico, and gave us a splendid address, which we will not forget for a long time, before an attendance of about 70 persons, who heard her with the greatest pleasure. She spoke in English, being translated by Miss Galvan, one of our missionaries. Our Christian Endeavor and Junior Societies are in good condition. During the year seven persons have been added to the church, six by baptism and one by letter, and about \$100, Mexican money, have been collected and spent. We number 32, but there live in Puebla only 20, the others having left the city, and are living at present in other parts of the Republic. Miss J. G. Bristol and Miss Esther Galvan, my co-workers, are rendering efficient work, and their help is of great value to us. They do very good work, visiting from house to house and among women and children. I generally visit with them.

God has blessed us richly, we feel encouraged, and we think the outlook for the future is good and promising.

We are very much obliged to the American Baptist Home Mission Society for the help it is giving us, and we pray God to bless it in the great mission it fulfils.

REPORT OF THE FIELD SECRETARY.

H. L. MOREHOUSE, D.D.

During the year I have participated in two Conferences, held by representatives of the Home Mission Society and the Missionary Union; one with the Publication Society, and one with the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, of which particular mention is made in the Annual Report of the Board.

I have attended several meetings of Conventions and Boards; have had several formal Conferences with representatives of City Mission Societies; have addressed three Social Unions, Ministers' Conferences, and Churches in the interests of the Society; have devoted considerable attention to the renewal and maintenance of the plan of coöperation in the South, besides many other matters, of which it is impossible to make special mention.

COÖPERATION AMONG THE COLORED PEOPLE.

In general the plan of coöperation for and with the colored Baptists of the South has continued in successful operation. After three years' observation of its workings the North Carolina Baptist Convention (white), at a time when political prejudice against the Negro had been aroused to an almost unparalleled pitch, voted unanimously to continue coöperation with the Society and the other organizations for three years more. The plan for the "New-Era Institutes" has been somewhat modified, as suggested by the experience of previous years. In Virginia, South Carolina, Kentucky, and Missouri the coöperative work has gone forward very satisfactorily, with slight exceptions. In Alabama the arrangement will probably terminate on account of the unwillingness of the white Baptist State Convention to make any appropriation for this work.

The general features of the plan of coöperation, with special application and adaptations to educational work for the colored people, have been adopted also in Georgia, Tennessee, Mississippi, and are maturing for Texas. This feature of the work is more particularly referred to in the report of the Superintendent of Education.

The colored Baptists of the Southern States in which the plan has been adopted are most emphatic in their expressions of its benefits, both to ministers and to the churches generally. It is probable that other States will enter into coöperation the coming year.

COÖPERATION IN CITY MISSION WORK.

The plan of coöperation with the Baptist City Mission Society of Chicago went into effect October 1, 1898. Both at the meetings of the Chicago Association and of the Baptist Social Union, held about that time, the subject was specially considered, the Society being represented on these occasions. The combination of forces and the unification of the whole work has been attended with most happy results. The outlook is bright for a better and larger work than ever before in our missionary activities in that great city.

Coöperative work with the Baptists of Detroit began April 1, 1899. This was entered into after a full conference with a representative gathering of Baptists in that city in February last, and after they had carefully considered the subject for several months.

Conferences have been held also with the Baptists of Buffalo and St. Louis, New York City, and Brooklyn, but definite conclusions have not yet been reached.

There is evidently a growing conviction that this work of helping to save the cities must receive more attention and larger appropriations from the American Baptist Home Mission Society, henceforth. To do what ought to be done will require larger resources than at present are at the

Society's disposal. The Society does not propose to relieve city-mission organizations of financial or other responsibility, but rather to stimulate to larger offerings and to impart to the work a steadiness, which, without its aid, would be impossible. Baptists whom God has blessed with temporal prosperity, and who are residents of these cities are earnestly asked to consider whether they should not place generous sums at the disposal of the Society for this purpose. Fifty thousand dollars yearly could thus be wisely expended.

The Field Secretary may be allowed to express his gratitude to God and his appreciation of the kindness of his brethren, that he has been permitted to serve the Society for twenty years, and during this period to witness the great development of the Society's work.

VIRGINIA.

REV. P. S. LEWIS, RICHMOND, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

I present herewith a brief statement of the work done by your missionaries, under the plan of cooperation, from April 1, 1898, to March 31, 1899. Many trials have confronted us in the great work which we have undertaken, during the past year, but through them all the Lord has led us victoriously, and we now bring to you some of the results which have crowned our labors. We have tried to do our best in representing the great Baptist brotherhood before the churches and other public gatherings in every part of the State, and thereby bring the missionary work in touch with the masses. The intellectual and religious life of the people has been greatly aroused, which is seen, first, in the importance which they attach to the institutes; second, in their increased contributions for State evangelization. The pastors, white and colored, have stood by the compacts and rendered the missionaries all the help possible for the successful prosecution of their work. Some of the very best talent was employed and the lectures given were of the highest order. People of every rank and profession have given their testimonials to the uniqueness and fruitfulness of the missionary work under coöperation, and to the institutes especially, which have been an engine of power in bringing about these glorious results.

The institutes have been attended by 399 ministers and 11,226 laymen; and such has been the influence exerted among the people that scores of them have been instrumental in developing the spirit of Christian benevolence in their churches and raising funds for missions. Coöperation is taking a firmer hold upon the Baptists and the cry comes from every quarter of the State in favor of its continuance. Eighty-eight colored and eighty-six white ministers delivered lectures in the institutes, and their one purpose seems to have been to exalt true manhood and womanhood and to enlist every believer in an effort to save the world.

The greatest harmony and good order prevailed in all our meetings. The missionaries have striven with voice and pen to keep the objects of coöperation constantly before the people, and when possible they have assisted pastors in their protracted meetings, in which hundreds professed hope in Christ and united with the Baptist church. Coöperation is thus far accomplishing that for which it was inaugurated.

The convention employed its usual number of student missionaries, who labored during the summer, principally in the western district. The mission churches have been greatly helped by the untiring labors of student preachers. There is still a great deal of work to be done in the State, which from the nature of things will move along slowly for some time to come, on account of our lack of means and consequently, of our limited working force. A large number of well-qualified missionary pastors should be stationed in different parts of the State where the Baptist cause is weak, who can stay among the people and have them meet more often for worship. By this means, much of our work which seems visionary to some will be more tangible. We are proud to state that the future outlook for missionary enterprise in the State grows more hopeful every day as this report indicates. Our brethren express themselves as being grateful to the white Baptists North and South for the interest they have taken in missionary work among colored Baptists. The time is not far distant, when, through its missionaries, the Convention will exert a powerful influence for good over every church in the State in behalf of education, State and Foreign Missions.

The following table shows the work of four missionaries:

Names.	Districts.	Weeks of service.	Institutes held.	Sermons preached.	Addresses delivered.	Conversions.	Churches visited.	Prayer meetings attended.	Public meetings attended.	Religious visits.	Letters and postals written.	Articles published.	Pages of tracts distributed.	Young people coun- seled about their education.	Money collected for State Missions.	Miles traveled.
P. S. Lewis, Richmond.....	General Missionary.....	52	1	84	120	95	70	77	187	138	967	55	48,466	420	\$317.24	6,335
W. F. Saunders, Lynchburg.....	Western.....	52	10	84	130	185	85	78	9	95	469	47	2,600	200	179.18	6,068
H. P. Weeden, Charlottesville.....	Northern.....	52	13	131	98	200	39	137	181	86	460	47	3,000	200	179.18	6,068
Wm. Chuains, Norfolk.....	Eastern.....	52	18	100	108	36	65	56	7	359	978	10	8,708	386	468.70	6,381
Totals.....		108	52	399	446	331	220	344	102	677	9,494	129	73,798	2,096	\$1,174.05	28,376

VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY.

J. W. KIRBY, D.D., RICHMOND, FINANCIAL AGENT.

A REVIEW OF THE FIELD.

During the past year very successful efforts have been made to cover new territory within our bounds and to present to new gatherings our educational work. It is remarkable to find how new the work, which has been prosecuted in this State by the American Baptist Home Missionary Society, is to many of our people in certain parts of the State.

It is true that some of them know of the Richmond Theological Seminary and Wayland, but fewer know of Hartshorn and the great work that is being done in the South by this Society. Wherever this condition has obtained the people have heard the representatives of this Society gladly. If a work as old as our educational work in Virginia is not thoroughly known, how much less, it is presumable to say, they know of the great scheme to establish the Virginia Union University.

METHODS PURSUED.

We have followed the same general methods used during last year, *vis.*, to visit associations, conventions, individuals, churches, and mass-meetings, and in these clearly set before the people the work of the Society as it is carried on in Virginia, and in a general way speak of the work as carried on throughout the South.

I have, by the means of illustrated lectures caused the people to get some conception of the magnitude of our work, and thereby made many friends. The gigantic strides made by the work, commenced in 1865 in "Lumpkin's Jail" to the grand buildings for the Virginia Union University now in course of erection, speak in very potential tones of the philanthropic spirit that has characterized the Society's work among the negroes of the South.

In order that the work of the Society may be fully appreciated, it is necessary to keep it before the people continually. This is made the more necessary because of the sharp competition between the various schools of the State, which rank above the public-school grades.

THE SOURCE OF SOME OF THE OPPOSITION TO OUR WORK.

Some men have opposed the work of the Society because of their real ignorance of its plan and purposes. In this they, in many instances, have been led to see the work through the eyes of others, and unfortunately through the eyes of those who had personal spites to ventilate or a desire to create dissension and confusion. The greater the darkness, the brighter they shine.

Others in a very subtle way have striven to impress some of the people that we are "striving to attain the unattainable," whatever this may be to them. But all the people cannot be fooled all the time. Nothing emancipates like truth.

Notwithstanding the battle which it has been necessary to wage against foes within and without our ranks, the work has grown steadily and very permanently. The work is more permanently fixed in the hearts of the rank and file of the people than ever before.

Rev. M. McVicar, LL.D., Supt. of Education, will join me early in April in a campaign in the interest of our work. It is our purpose to visit several points of interest in the State and call together the leaders and talk over the work and set before them the attitude of the Society. By this means, we hope to cause scales of ignorance to fall from the eyes of many who are laboring under mistakes that have been forced upon them. Wherever this course is pursued the result has been helpful to our cause.

FINANCIAL PROSPECTS.

This year has not been as fruitful in its results financially as I had hoped to find it. Many are the causes leading up to this state of financial depression. But few of the churches have been able to meet their incidental expenses. In many cases they have closed their fiscal year with an indebtedness of several hundred dollars.

The ordinary laborers have not been steadily employed. Besides, there has been upon the people a winter of unusual severity.

Many clubs and societies organized for the purpose of raising money for the University have been greatly hampered in their work because of the conditions named above.

Internal dissensions in some of the churches and some other causes needless to be here named have had a bad effect upon our efforts to make collections.

This is indeed a time of sowing but harvest time will come later on.

EDUCATIONAL DAY.

With the coöperation of the Executive Board of the Virginia Baptist State Sunday-school Convention I am planning to have the Baptist Sunday-schools of the State observe the 5th Sunday in April as "Educational Day" for the Virginia Union University. It is hoped by this means to swell our collections materially. The program will be such as will instruct the public as to the educational work, also will inspire greater confidence and more zeal for the same.

CASH AND NOTES COLLECTED.

April, 1898.....	Cash.....	\$ 88 62
May, "	"	135 35
June, "	"	55 52
July, "	"	133 48
Aug., "	"	156 83
Sept., "	"	149 18
Oct., "	"	45 42
Nov., "	"	65 31
Dec., "	"	115 98
Jan., 1899.....	"	72 60
Feb., "	"	92 61
March, "	"	54 38
Total		\$1165 28
Notes—Amount		200 00
Grand Total		\$1365 28

The work as done in the schools of the Society in this State is appreciated and considered indispensable by the best men and women of the State. Only words of praise can be heard from the lips of the people of the cities and rural districts in a large majority of instances. Those who strive to engender strife and sow discord are being seen in their true colors and the people are looking upon them as obstructionists.

I believe the day is soon to dawn when in Virginia the Baptist forces will be gotten closer together and more work accomplished than ever before.

The praiseworthy efforts of our Northern friends to emancipate my people from ignorance and vice will soon bring forth a harvest of good results which only eternity's King can fully estimate. These results are even now to be seen in a great degree in the improvement of the teachers, preachers, and leaders who have gone forth to shine in the various communities of this our Southland.

NORTH CAROLINA.

REV. J. A. WHITTED, RALEIGH, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

For the year ending April 1, 1899, I have spent in the service of the Society, 52 weeks.

Institutes attended, 37; sermons preached, 63; addresses delivered, 134; churches visited, 93; Bibles distributed, 109; tracts distributed, 5460; money collected, \$315.60; families visited, 280; miles traveled, 19,640.

Owing to the political disturbances, the work for the past year has been under trying circumstances. Just now the conditions have changed considerably and the work seems to be more effective than ever. We have been able to systematize our work more in the past few months. Our prospects are brightening very much. The Western section of the State which promised less in the beginning of the work in the State is thus far ahead of the other two sections for this year. This is due largely to the fact that we have more pastors in the West and also to the smooth and earnest work of the missionary in that section. Although the change is slow we are trying to get some of our ministers to take one or two churches so as to enable them to do pastoral work. The people in all sections are necessarily aroused on the subject of education. Much of this is due to the constitutional amendment requiring it as a qualification for franchise. We can safely say, there is progress along all lines in the improvement and development of the colored people of North Carolina.

GEORGIA.

REV. EDWIN P. JOHNSON, ATLANTA, GENERAL EDUCATIONAL MISSIONARY.

We have one aim, one purpose, *viz.*: The Christian education of all the people. We hope to reach the preachers first. (a) We gather them in the New Era Institute from three to ten days. They are taught the best methods of studying whole books in the Bible and special subjects therein. Plans for preparing and delivering sermons are given them. They are instructed how to *read* the Bible and hymns. (b) We introduce a preacher's library of ten books at a cost of five dollars. One hundred persons are asked to give each five cents apiece for the library for the pastor. A committee consisting of five or ten persons is appointed to collect the money and report in thirty days. When the books are purchased, a literary meeting will be held in the church. Papers will be read and addresses delivered on "The value of good books to a minister; to give information; to stimulate thought; to cultivate correct use of language; to give breadth of views," etc.

The missionary of the district in an appropriate speech will present the library to the pastor, who will respond. We hope in this way to induce the preacher to read and think.

It will be easy to reach and benefit the churches, when we have won the confidence of the preachers. We will strongly help the churches. (a) By organizing missionary and education societies in them and by seeing that the best and most active men and women are made officers of said societies. (b) By inducing the officers of the churches to thoroughly organize all the departments of church work, the prayer-meetings, the choir, the business-meetings, and the Sunday-schools. We hope also to benefit

me from all quarters to come and hold educational meetings and institutes as soon as the severe weather is over and attend to the interest that has been awakened.

We have about forty associations, and my future plan is to have a meeting of the moderators of the different associations on the 18th of May, at which time we will arrange with them to raise \$100 in their respective associations for educational work, also mission work, this money to be sent to the State Convention in July. Our hope for the present is in these annual gatherings until our people have been trained to a systematic giving.

Cash collected..... \$441 02

Educational addresses, 91; sermons, 59; conferences, 61; mass-meetings, 9; church pledges, 48; individual pledges, 128; associations, 1; letters written, 396; church visits, 82; miles traveled, 6042; expenses, \$81 56.

ARKANSAS.

REV. J. H. HOKE, LITTLE ROCK, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

With much pleasure I submit this, my annual report, for the year ending March 31, 1899. I have served in this State as missionary for eleven years, and can safely say that we have never had so many hindrances as this year has brought us: epidemics, quarantines, war excitements, floods, in the low lands, a general rainy season, and a hard winter. Nearly one-third of the cotton crop is yet in the field. But in spite of all this, we have had our labors crowned with abundant success and reaped, I think, a rich harvest; greater, perhaps, than any previous year.

New Church Houses.—The denomination, stimulated by what the Society did along this line some years ago, has kept a steady march in this respect and has regularly multiplied the number of church edifices in the State. Many congregations have beautiful houses of worship and others are building. Among these church houses there is quite a number that would do credit to any town or city. At the same time there are many other points where the other denominations predominate and where the Baptists are poor; therefore, it is hard for them to get on foot in such places. A small donation to congregations at such points would bring about wonderful results. Could the society see some of the fields where such donations were made to small churches some years ago, they would have special occasion to rejoice over the fruits of their labors.

Unity of Missions and Education.—In this State there is hardly any difference made between our educational and missionary campaigns. Education and missions hold up each other. We can say that we have a stronger grasp upon the people because of this thing than we have ever had before. Thirty associations contributed to the work last year. Only two of these refused to contribute to education, while all of them gave some-

thing in some way to missions. It is only a question of time when all the churches will take hold and do what the Lord has commanded: "Preach the Gospel to every creature."

Successful Methods.—I visit every convention, association, and union meeting that I can possibly reach. I write and talk to individuals and preach about the work. In settlements where there are several churches I conduct missionary meetings or institutes lasting two or three days at a time. I report this work and its results every week through the denominational organ, *Baptist Vanguard*. A weekly account of these meetings through the paper has a wonderful reflective and prospective influence. Besides, I use cards with Scripture verses printed on them, as follows: "Ye are the salt of the earth," "Ye are the light of the world," "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works," "Go ye therefore and teach all nations," "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." By these plans I raise means that enable me to do much toward supporting my work. But it will take much longer time to accomplish the desire of the denomination in this way, for much of our time, as will be seen, is spent in collecting means off the same field for the support of that field. If we had the means to continue at the real mission work all the time, greater good could be accomplished. Yet we cannot make small of the idea of self-support on any field capable of being worked up to that point.

In the face of all these facts and conditions, however, the Society has many reasons to be encouraged to continue the prosecution of its work in this way, relying on Him who said: "My word shall not return unto me void," for final results. If the Society could hear what the rank and file of the people have to say about it, those who give to a work like this would praise the Lord once more. It is needless to say that there is a deeper interest created in our people from year to year, when we note the fact that the mission work is almost self-sustaining; that our people respond more freely and more frequently to all legitimate missionary appeals; and that they have done twice as much for education during the past year as in any previous year. The fact that they contributed more than three thousand dollars to the Arkansas Baptist College last year and that they are furnishing nearly two hundred students in regular attendance is no mean thing to go down to the credit of our missionary campaigns conducted in every corner of the State.

MISSOURI.

REV. H. N. BOUEY, MACON, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The record of my personal services for the year is as follows: Churches visited, 75; associations attended, 22; other public meetings, 18; days spent in Society's service, 365; sermons preached 210; addresses de-

livered, 100; prayer-meetings attended, 113; religious visits made, 273; pages of tracts distributed, 626; baptized, 33; administered the Lord's supper, 12; churches organized, 2; assisted church dedications, 1; letters and cards written, 589; institutes held and visited, 16; persons converted where I worked, 189.

I do not believe a man can be found in Missouri who will deny that the Negro Baptists are not only the strongest in Missouri, but the most active in missionary zeal. This was not always so. This, due to the organization of the State and the Macon Baptist School, was all stimulated by your work in the State, which commenced August 1, 1889. Prior to that time there was no organization, no school, no State work of any kind. To visit the district associations now, in 1899, remembering what they were in 1889, would greatly surprise as well as please all classes. We had four good, strong district associations, and the other five were very weak and were hardly known except by a few, locally interested. But, now, through mission work, both State and District, they are all strong, active, and united.

I do not claim too much for the great Home Mission Society, nor does any one in Missouri deny it, when I say that the Society's work stimulated the Negro Baptists of Missouri to at least double activity. I do not claim that our present activity is great, but in contrast with the depth of lethargy from whence we came, it is certainly encouraging. How has this been accomplished?

1. By meeting the Executive Boards of the District Associations, and in these quarterly board meetings, lecture and plan on missions.

2. The General Missionary, knowing the destitution of all the districts, has at these board meetings awakened a strong spirit among the members, who are the leading men of the district.

3. Our financial plan has been to have each of the nine district associations to collect from each church in its connection as much as 5 or 10 cents from each member. This is brought to the Association for missions and education. This goes to pay the District Missionary, and the balance goes to the State Board.

4. Every district has a missionary now, but a few years ago they were not able to maintain one. The State Convention and your Missionary have so strengthened the Associations that they easily pay their local missionary and make contributions in addition to the State Board.

5. This year the nine district executive boards are inviting the "New Era Institutes" in connection with their quarterly sessions. This is because the leading men have realized the good of these institutes. We cannot hold them now as often as desired by the brethren. All classes are loud in their praise.

TEXAS.

REV. F. G. DAVIS, M'KINNEY, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Our work this year has been hindered considerably by the low price of cotton and a very severe winter. Texas is a very hard as well as a wild field. We have our saw-mill region, where the people are very wicked, low in morals, spending their Sabbaths in riotous living. Out West, for want of church privileges many go wild that seemingly lived a consistent Christian life before they went West. In many of our churches in the bottoms they still have their holy dances after the preaching. Our churches—most of them are in debt. This comes about because of the lack of financial system, and a proper knowledge of the Bible concerning the matter. Most of our churches depend upon sunshine for their collections also upon suppers and contests. The people give as you excite them. Make them happy, that is hilarious, or get them mad at another crowd and as long as they are in this state of mind they will give money.

Sometimes revivals are conducted for the purpose of raising money, churches are split, and while they are angry with each other they will work hard, give money in abundance. This accounts for so many weak churches and churches overburdened with debt. And of course as long as the churches are in debt, not much can be expected of them for missions and education. The only system that the most of our churches have, is the 25 cents (for the pastor) per month per member; and the collection of this in most cases depend upon the weather. Many of our best members, I mean in financial ability, feel that they have done their duty when they have paid the pastor 25 cents a month, and a nickel or so occasionally to other causes. So you may see how very difficult it is to do general missionary work and collect money from the churches which have been trained in such a way, that it takes the most of their time to get up pastor's salary and a few local expenses; especially so when show, or vanity, or some other feeling besides that of love to God and duty to His cause actuates the giving. We have been trained thus. Take our friends around us, and the love of show is seen. Most of them like to be called captain, colonel, or general. We get our idea of calling every school that has a very nice building a college. This idea of appearing big, and conducting big things runs through everything almost with which we have to do. Many of our people have no homes because they were not content to buy small places, but wanted big plantations. It is hard for us to abide the day of small things. The seed has been planted and the fruits given to the children, by our parents from big plantations. It will take years of hard earnest work to unlearn many things. We have yet to learn to think, investigate affairs from beginning to end. Our people are at the point where the imagination has great play. They see great schools, and other enterprises of importance

conducted by men, and they say we are men, we can do these things too. Counting on their manhood, they launch out; forgetting that these successful enterprises mean years of patient toil and experience, great outlay of money and enterprise, besides ability and strict business principles.

Our work consisted in holding Bible institutes, visiting churches and associations. Our institute work has been very encouraging and much good has been accomplished. Some of our churches are improving in their financial methods and otherwise. Our associations are growing more and more in favor of real mission work, and a better spirit toward the educational work. Our schools are doing much better this year. In our work last summer we made it a point to urge the importance of filling up our schools. The low price of cotton kept many out. We are glad that the schools of other denominations and even the public schools are full and doing better.

Our financial methods in our work. We are trying to get the people to give as the Lord prospers them. We have a pledge-card; one is enclosed. We have also a fixed day, the second Sunday in December, as a day for State missions. We have a program. Pastors are expected to preach or talk on the subject of missions, take up a collection for the same. More and more they are beginning to observe this day, only the blizzard hindered us in December. We have in a great many of our churches the Women's Mission Society and they contribute to the work, when their gifts are not absorbed by the pastor or church debts. We have been trying to organize in each county a Christian Worker's Institute; for we believe that the people as well as pastors need to get closer to the Bible. We are now engaged in a great struggle to clear our Houston and Hearne Academies of a \$5000 debt. We are bending our energies to the end that by October 1, 1899, if possible, every cent of it may be paid.

We are thankful to the Society for her continued help.

III. CHURCH EDIFICE DEPARTMENT.

Each year's experience confirms the wisdom of having a fund available either as a loan or a gift to aid churches in the erection of suitable meeting-houses. The success or failure of a new church enterprise seems oftentimes conditioned, so far as human agencies are concerned, upon receiving aid from such a fund. The general purpose of both the Loans and the Gifts is to aid in the erection of new houses, but during the last few years it has been found absolutely necessary, to avoid impending disaster, to use both occasionally to aid in the payment of debts incurred dur-

ing times of prosperity and hopeful outlook. Our Cause would have suffered large and irretrievable ruin, apparently, had it not been for the succor we were able thus to render. The greatest possible care has been taken in the administration of this trust.

The Loan Fund now amounts to about \$150,000, on which the rate of interest has been reduced to 6 per cent. In most cases churches seem very appreciative of the aid rendered to them by granting them a loan, and they take ordinary pains to repay both the principal and interest, recognizing that the Loan Fund is a charity, administered for the benefit of the churches; that the interest received from it is added to the principal to be loaned to other churches needing help; that while the Fund is administered on business principles to preserve it from depreciation, it is not in any sense a money-making enterprise. Every Dollar of interest, aside from what is necessarily used to meet the expenses of administration, returns to the Church Edifice Fund to be re-loaned and is not consumed by the Society in its ordinary work. We regret to say that there are instances in which churches seem to have an entire misconception of the nature of the Fund and of the spirit and method of its administration, and who become negligent in meeting their obligations, and sometimes disagreeably urgent in asking to be relieved from them. It has also been found occasionally, we are sorry to say, that aid has been received from the Loan Fund on representations which were subsequently found to be inaccurate and misleading, showing a lack of knowledge of business, or a deficiency in moral perception.

The Gift Fund is far too small to meet the urgent demands made upon it. Instead of an annual expenditure of from \$16,000 to \$20,000 there ought to be available at least \$50,000 to meet ordinary cases. The progress of the denomination would be thereby greatly facilitated.

In view of the present condition and prospective needs of this Department, more especially for the procuring of suitable sites and buildings in Porto Rico and Eastern Cuba, we earnestly ask for a large addition to this Gift Fund. It will be impossible for the work in these islands to be prosecuted successfully without this

aid. It is roughly estimated that at least \$50,000 will be required in the immediate future.

PARSONAGES.

There are frequent and urgent appeals made to the Board for assistance in the erection of parsonages. In many of the places where new churches are established in the West rents are high, and it is difficult for the pastor with his small salary to properly shelter his family. A modest parsonage, owned by the church, where the pastor could have a permanent and simple home, without expense, would add greatly to his comfort and his efficiency.

The number of churches aided during the year is 80; by gift only 55; by loan only 12; by gift and loan 13.

The total number of grants from the Loan Fund is 25, and from the Gift Fund is 68.

The location of the churches receiving aid was in the following 25 States, Territories and Provinces.

By Gifts: Alaska, 1; California, 3; Colorado, 2; Florida, 1; Indian Territory, 2; Illinois, 1; Iowa, 3; Kansas, 10; Kentucky, 1; Michigan, 2; Minnesota, 5; Missouri, 1; Montana, 1; Manitoba, 1; Maine, 1; Nebraska, 3; North Dakota, 3; Oklahoma Territory, 9; Ontario, 1; Oregon, 5; South Dakota, 3; Virginia, 1; Washington, 4; West Virginia, 3; Wyoming, 1.

By Loans: California, 1; Iowa, 3; Kansas, 6; Minnesota, 2; Michigan, 2; Montana, 1; Nebraska, 1; Oregon, 2; Oklahoma, 3; South Dakota, 1; Washington, 3.

The nationalities aided by Gifts are as follows: American, 52; Scandinavian, 3; Germans, 4; Chinese, 1; French, 1; Indian, 2; Colored, 5.

The nationalities aided by Loans are as follows: American, 20; Colored, 4; Scandinavians, 1.

The whole number of churches aided, 1920. Of these 1583 have been aided in the past eighteen years.

The following table shows the number of churches actually assisted during the past eighteen years:

YEAR.	NUMBER.	BY GIFT ONLY.	BY LOAN ONLY.	BY GIFT AND LOAN.
1881-2	66	56	10	..
1882-3	97	66	18	13
1883-4	107	68	13	26
1884-5	113	61	39	13
1885-6	62	23	36	3
1886-7	62	29	29	4
1887-8	88	46	22	20
1888-9	70	33	20	17
1889-90	87	54	16	17
1890-1	88	58	14	16
1891-2	121	66	20	35
1892-3	110	72	12	26
1893-4	84	63	5	16
1894-5	89	68	12	9
1895-6	93	54	22	17
1896-7	79	57	10	12
1897-8	85	59	16	10
1898-9	80	55	12	13

LOAN FUND STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1898-99.

Receipts from interest on loans.....	\$6,926 37
Receipts from loans repaid.....	11,681 60
Receipts from contributions.....	331 41
Receipts from interest on deposits.....	66 10
Total	\$19,005 48
Principal of Loan Fund.....	\$153,573 11
Aggregate of loans to twenty-five churches.....	14,075 00
Average to each church.....	563 00

Twenty churches have paid their loans during the year past. The number of outstanding loans is 305.

GIFT FUND STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1898-99.

Receipts for this Fund have been as follows:

Contributions	\$3,817 74
Legacies	1,000 00
Income from permanent funds.....	8,309 19
Income from real estate.....	882 08
Gifts returned by churches.....	607 96
Total	\$14,616 97

Aggregate amount of gifts to sixty-eight churches.....	\$18,315 04
An average to each church of.....	269 33

IV. EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

By reference to the report of the Superintendent it will be seen that the Educational Work carried on by the Society during the past year has been, on the whole, very satisfactory. These schools are slowly working a radical revolution in the status of the vast body of Negroes for whom they were established, and are also exerting a wholesome influence upon the entire educational system of the South. During the year special efforts have been made to carry into practical effect the suggestions made by the Committee appointed at Asbury Park to investigate the school-work of the Society, which was printed in the minutes of the Anniversary of 1897. There are seven great strategic centers, *viz.*: Richmond, Va., Raleigh, N. C., Columbia, S. C., Atlanta, Ga., Nashville, Tenn., Jackson, Miss., and Marshall, Texas, where there are being developed strong institutions.

In order to provide suitable accommodations at Richmond, Va., for the Theological Seminary and for Wayland College—which is to be removed from Washington, D. C.—an admirable site has been purchased and buildings are now in process of erection. By a fortunate circumstance native Virginia granite quarried nearby has been found available as material, and will give to the buildings an impressiveness and durability greatly to be desired. It is expected that the principal part of the cost of the ground and buildings will be met by the sale of the school property at Washington and Richmond. One of the buildings is to be a memorial to the late Dea. Martin E. Gray, and known as “Martin E. Gray Hall,” to be paid for out of money specially contributed by him to the Society and designated for that purpose.

Another will bear the name of “Coburn Hall,” in memory of the late Governor Abner Coburn of Maine, whose great legacy of \$250,000, was the largest ever received by the Society. A third will bear the name of “Kingsley Hall,” in honor of an Ex-President of the Society, who, in addition to liberal annual gifts, has

lately paid into the treasury \$25,000. A fourth will bear the name of "Pickford Hall," in honor of the services of a former member of the Board of Trustees of the Richmond Theological Seminary and of the liberal gifts from his widow. Special recognition is due to the interest and sympathy of Mr. Byron E. Huntley whose liberal benefactions for the development of the University have been most heartily welcome.

In order to fully complete the group of buildings, such as the school will inevitably require in the immediate future, an additional sum of \$40,000 or \$50,000 will be very helpful and it is hoped that some large-minded, liberal givers, may be found who will appreciate the greatness and significance of this educational work sufficiently to furnish this money.

The extensive and much-needed improvements in the equipment of the college at Atlanta have been made out of funds given to the college from the estate of the late Josiah Cook.

By the foresight and liberality of the late Bathsheba A. Benedict of Pawtucket, R. I., the college at Columbia, S. C., in addition to its beautiful campus and admirable group of buildings, has an endowment fund of not less than \$120,000, the income of which, while not adequate by any means, will provide fairly well for the present expenses of the school. Thus, after more than thirty years we are glad to be able to announce the practical endowment of one of our great schools.

It cannot be too strongly urged upon the attention of the denomination that these schools in the South need a permanent endowment quite as much as similar institutions in the North. So long as they are dependent for support upon the fluctuating receipts of a missionary society their very existence is imperiled, and their efficiency necessarily limited and hindered. We earnestly appeal to those who believe in the efficacy of Christian education in the development of religious life, in the spread of Christ's Kingdom, in the preparation of a vast multitude for right living and in promoting the stability of republican institutions to remember this educational work and either by direct gifts or by contributions on the annuity plan, or by legacies, to provide for its enlargement and its endowment.

REPORT OF

M. MACVICAR, LL.D., SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

In a brief survey of the educational work of the Society, such as can be given in this report, only a few of the most important features can be mentioned. It may be stated, in general, that the schools supported entirely or helped by our Society, have never done better work than has been done during the year about to close. Teachers and students have devoted themselves with great fidelity and earnestness to the tasks assigned them. A marked advance is also noticeable in the class of students entering the schools for the first time. They are better prepared than heretofore to pursue higher studies, thus showing a decided improvement in the work done in the elementary schools, both public and private.

Gradually the Higher Institutions are acquiring better facilities for work. They are now under the leadership of earnest, progressive Presidents, who are unwilling to rest satisfied with anything short of making the schools thoroughly modern in methods of instruction, appliances, and management. Their efforts in this respect, if generously supplied with the necessary means to carry into effect their present plans, will in a few years enable the schools to do as fine work as is done in the best white schools, either North or South.

Improvements in the Secondary Schools are not as marked as in the higher. They are laboring under much greater disadvantages. They receive comparatively little help from our Society, and, although under the entire control of the Negro Boards of Trustees, the Negro churches fail to give them anything like an adequate financial support. This, in part, may be due to the poverty of these churches; yet, without question, it is due, in large measure, in most cases, to the want of a proper appreciation of the needs of the schools, and of the important work they are doing for the race. In view of these conditions, great credit is due to the Principals and Teachers of these schools, for the self-sacrificing and earnest efforts they are putting forth to make the schools efficient, and worthy of the confidence and patronage of their people. Both Principals and Teachers are very poorly remunerated for their services. Indeed, in many cases, they are living on starvation salaries, and, as a matter of course, cannot give to their special work their entire attention and strength. It is to be hoped, however, that in the near future the Negro churches will wake up to a full appreciation of the responsibility resting upon them in this matter, and will generously provide the necessary financial support to place the schools upon a successful working basis.

PRESSING NEEDS OF THE SCHOOLS.

During the earlier stages of the work, the buildings and other appli-

ances provided were well adapted to the conditions then existing. In most cases, however, they are now very inadequate to meet present demands. During the past thirty-five years educational requirements and methods have undergone radical changes, which require improved facilities for effective work. The academic and college curricula of the past do not meet the requirements of the present. In a thoroughly practical course of study the Latin and Greek, which in the past received the lion's share of the time of the students pursuing these subjects, must be minimized and take a second place. The study of the natural sciences, of the English language, of literature, and of history must now be made specially prominent and receive marked attention. In these respects the schools of the Society, in accordance with the recommendations of the committee appointed at the May meetings, at Asbury Park, are endeavoring to keep abreast of the times. Difficulties are met in this endeavor which will take time and persistent effort to overcome. Among these are defective class-rooms, and the absence of working laboratories, which make impossible the introduction, in the higher schools, of laboratory and seminary methods of instruction. There is also a great defect in the supply of books of reference and reading material on the sciences, literature, history, and other subjects. Until these defects are reasonably removed teachers and students must labor under great disadvantages in doing their work.

A good beginning is now made in meeting these pressing needs in connection with Spelman Seminary and Atlanta Baptist College. Last Summer a plain, but thoroughly modern, college building was erected, in which students of both institutions are instructed together in the higher subjects. Excellent class-rooms, a science lecture-room, and a separate practising-laboratory for physics, chemistry, and biology, are provided. A fair beginning has also been made in providing a working-library and in supplying the three laboratories with practical apparatus. It is hoped that in a short time, through the help of special friends of these institutions, the equipment in these respects will be made very complete.

The fine group of granite buildings, now in course of erection, at Richmond, Va., will give to Wayland College and Richmond Theological Seminary excellent accommodations for their work. The Dormitory Hall, the Dining Hall, the Chapel, and Library Hall, and the Lecture Hall have been planned with strict reference to the work for which each is intended. The Lecture Hall, in which provision is made for the co-instruction, in higher subjects, of the students of Hartshorn Memorial College and Wayland College, is devoted exclusively to class-rooms and working laboratories. The laboratories will be provided with all necessary appliances for successful science work. When these buildings are ready to be occupied and the proposed additions are made to the Chapel, class-rooms and

dormitories of Hartshorn Memorial College, the educational plant in Richmond will be very complete. It is now expected that these buildings will be ready for occupancy by the departments of Virginia Union University at the commencement of the next school year.

Bishop College, Marshall, Tex., is the next best equipped of the Society's institutions. It has one of the best industrial plants connected with any of the schools for Negroes in the South. It has, also, in Morehouse Hall, a good chapel and a limited number of good classrooms. The provision, however, for working laboratories is defective. When the building was erected, two wings, which were a part of the original plan, had to be left out for lack of funds. Should these be added at some future time, the College will then have superior accommodations for class-rooms and laboratories. In the meantime, however, it is very important, in the interests of the work of the College, that some of the rooms in the present building be fitted up for science work. Friends of the College should not fail to provide in the near future, the funds necessary to make this greatly needed improvement.

The other Higher Institutions, maintained entirely by the Society, namely, Shaw University, Benedict College, Roger Williams University, and Jackson College, are very much in need of enlarged accommodations to provide for increased attendance and to give the necessary conveniences and appliances for successful work. Benedict College is greatly in need of a dormitory for girls, in which some provision should be made for class-rooms and laboratories. Shaw, Roger Williams, and Benedict should each have, in the near future, a building erected, containing modern conveniences, and devoted exclusively to class instruction. Shaw and Roger Williams, especially, are suffering greatly for the want of such a building. They are both in sharp competition with other institutions possessing better facilities than they have for higher work. The provision in all of these schools for science-teaching and for class-room instruction is defective; yet, notwithstanding these defects, good work has been done, as is evident from the character of their graduates and large attendance of students. This speaks well of the instruction given by the earnest and efficient teachers in these schools.

The higher institutions under the entire control of Negro Boards of Trustees, viz., Alabama Colored Baptist University, Selma, Alabama, State University, Louisville, Kentucky, and Arkansas Baptist College, Little Rock, Arkansas, are greatly in need of additional dormitories, class-rooms, and laboratories. Indeed, without improvements in these directions, and also an increased teaching force it will be very difficult for them to give to give their students reasonably good advantages in higher work. The teachers in these schools are faithfully struggling to main-

tain a college course and a high standard of scholarship; but this they find about impossible, under existing conditions. The Presidents are badly crippled in their effort in this respect for want of a sufficient teaching staff, building accommodations, and other appliances.

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION.

The policy of the Society from the commencement of its work among the colored people has been to provide for them chiefly reasonably educated ministers and teachers. This policy has at no time been more consistently carried out than at the present time. All students attending the Society's schools are instructed in the Bible as in other subjects. Special classes are also organized, in which elementary instruction is given to pastors and others preparing for the ministry in Bible doctrines, preparation of sermons, church organization, and duties and qualifications of ministers, as given in the Acts of the Apostles, and Paul's Epistles to Timothy and Titus. This elementary work has been of untold benefit to a very large number of the older men in the ministry, but the time has come, in consequence of the educational progress of the last thirty years, when a more advanced course of theological instruction is an imperative necessity. The Executive Board has, therefore, wisely provided that hereafter instruction will be given at Shaw University, Benedict College, Atlanta Baptist College, Roger Williams University, and Bishop College, in a full English theological course, the same as is given in the Northern theological seminaries and in the Seminary at Richmond. Instruction in Greek and Hebrew exegesis will be given to such as are preparing for that work at the Richmond Theological Seminary only.

NEW ERA INSTITUTES OR BIBLE-SCHOOLS.

While the schools, as will be seen from the above, are greatly increasing their facilities for the training of ministers, the provision made is still very inadequate to reach the pastors of about one million six hundred thousand church members. These pastors number about ten thousand, and have charge of about fifteen thousand organized churches. A large proportion of them have never had any educational advantages. The scanty means of many of them, and other conditions, over which they have no control, make it impossible for them to attend our schools, even for a short time. These, and their number is very large, must be reached, if at all, by bringing instruction where they can get the benefit of it with but little effort and expense on their part. This is now successfully done through the agency of what is known as the New Era Institute or Bible School. These Institutes were first organized in North Carolina, in January, 1897, and are now in successful operation in six Southern States, and have been formally adopted by three other States, where it is hoped active work will be commenced in the near future.

New Era Institute work was not commenced in Georgia until January 1, 1899. Coöperation was delayed on account of the existence in the State of two opposing State Conventions, until the founding of the Negro Baptist Education Society. This took place at Macon, Ga., February 16, 1898. The Society was organized by one of the largest and most representative Conventions that has ever assembled in Georgia. When organized it entered at once into coöperation with the American Baptist Home Mission Society in missionary educational work. This opened the way for the bodies coöperating in other States to enter into coöperative relations with the Negro Baptist Education Society, which was consummated in October, 1898, and active work commenced January 1, 1899. The Coöperating Bodies in Georgia employ in their work a General Educational Missionary, who has the general charge of the entire State, and three District Missionaries. In addition to these four the coöperating bodies employ, also, and pay the salary of a Theological Instructor, who gives six months of his time in teaching theology in Atlanta Baptist College, and four months in New Era Institute work.

WORKING PROGRAMME OF THE INSTITUTES.

The Institutes are held at central points, where a large number of pastors, deacons, and others, interested in Bible study, can attend, without inconvenience, and but little, if any, expense. The aim of each Institute is to render needed and efficient help to pastors, by discussing with them practical methods of studying the English Bible, the preparation and delivery of sermons, and the best methods of organizing and successfully conducting other departments of church work. The following is the usual order of daily exercise furnished in each Institute:

1. The forenoon of each day is given to special Bible study, accompanied by a half-hour lecture and discussion by members of the Institute on selected topics, such as the following:

- (a) Evidences of conversion as presented in the Scriptures, including the changed disposition and tastes, and growth in grace and knowledge.

- (b) Christian stewardship in the use of money, and the sin of the misuse of funds given to the Lord.

- (c) Loving obedience to Christ, or how love and law are related to each other in the Gospel.

- (d) The value of good books to a minister: to give information; to stimulate thought; to cultivate the correct use of language; to give breadth of view, etc.

2. The afternoon of each day is given to special preparation for the pulpit. This includes the selection and analysis of texts, the preparation and delivery of sermons, and the reading of Scripture and hymns. Members of the Institute submit, in writing, outlines of sermons, which are

read and discussed. This work is also accompanied by a half-hour lecture and discussion by members of the Institute on selected topics, such as the following:

(a) The qualifications, duties, and obligations of ministers, as presented in the First Epistle of Paul to Timothy.

(b) The Scriptural view of a Christian home; its power and influence in forming character.

(c) The organization and conduct of every department of church work, business meetings, prayer-meetings, pastoral visitations, and Sunday-school work.

3. A night session is held at the close of the day, at which half-hour lectures are usually delivered, on selected topics, and discussed by members of the Institute, such as the following:

(a) Mission work in Cuba and Porto Rico; its needs and present opportunities.

(b) The Home Mission work of the Coöperating Bodies in the State and elsewhere.

(c) The kind and degree of education needed now, and for the coming generation, by the colored people.

(d) The Baptist schools for the colored Baptists of the State; their origin, aims, and work.

The time given to each Institute varies from three days to two weeks.

THEOLOGICAL READING COURSE.

In Georgia the Institute work is supplemented by a three-years' course of theological reading. In connection with the Institutes, or at some convenient time, an oral or written examination is given to such pastors, and others, as complete one or more of the subjects of the course, and a card certifying to having passed the required tests is given by the Institute conductors. When a card of this kind is secured for every subject of the course, a certificate is given, certifying this fact, signed by the Corresponding Secretaries of the four Coöperating Bodies.

The Theological Course prescribed, subject to modifications, is as follows:

1. *FIRST YEAR.—Bible Reading.*—The Gospel of Luke, the Acts of the Apostles, and the First Epistle of Paul to Timothy. These books are to be read and studied in connection with the analysis given of each, in "Bible Study by Books," by Rev. Henry T. Sell.

2. *Preparation of Sermons.*—The first twelve chapters of "The Making of the Sermon," by Prof. T. Harwood Pattison, D. D., of the Rochester Theological Seminary.

3. *Baptist History.*—"A Short History of the Baptists," by Rev. Henry C. Vedder, Professor of Church History, in Crozer Theological Seminary.

4. *Supplementary Reading*.—The “Supplemental Bible Studies,” by Rev. Henry T. Sell; the first fourteen chapters.

1. **SECOND YEAR.**—*Bible Reading*.—First and Second Samuel; the Gospel of St. Matthew; the Epistles of Paul to the Galatians and to the Ephesians. These two Epistles are to be studied doctrinally.

2. *Preparation of Sermons*.—The last eleven chapters of “The Making of the Sermon,” by Prof. T. Harwood Pattison, D.D.

3. *Doctrinal Reading*.—“Bible Study by Doctrines,” by Rev. Henry T. Sell. In reading this book the Bible references given are to be carefully considered, and the outline of topics in each chapter fixed in the memory.

4. *Supplementary Reading*.—The “Supplemental Bible Study,” by Rev. Henry T. Sell, the last ten chapters.

1. **THIRD YEAR.**—*Bible Reading*.—The Book of Proverbs; the Prophecy of Isaiah; the Prophecy of Zechariah; the Epistle to the Hebrews; and the Book of Leviticus.

2. *Theological Reading*.—“Christian Doctrines,” by Rev. J. M. Pendleton, D.D.

3. *Pastoral Theology*.—“The Pastor,” by H. Harvey, D.D.; “How to Be a Pastor,” by Theodore L. Cuyler, D.D.

4. *Church Organization*.—“The Church,” by H. Harvey, D.D.

MINISTERS' LIBRARY.

A large proportion of the ministers in the rural districts of the State, and some in the cities, are almost entirely destitute of reading matter. To remedy this condition, and help ministers pursuing the foregoing Bible Reading Course, arrangements have been made to furnish a Ministers' Library, of ten volumes, for \$5.00, which simply covers the cost of the books. The Library consists of the following: Oxford Teachers' Reference Bible; Cruden's Unabridged Concordance; Smith's Bible Dictionary, one volume, large size; Jamieson, Fausset, and Brown's “Practical Commentary,” in two volumes; “Topical Text-Book”; “Short History of the Baptists,” by Prof. Henry C. Vedder; and “Bible Study by Books,” “Bible Study by Doctrines,” and “Supplemental Bible Study,” by Rev. Henry T. Sell.

A more helpful and generous thing cannot possibly be done for thousands of pastors, who are practically without any books to help in their work than to present them with this Ministers' Library.

The following are the details of the financial and other matters pertaining to the schools, as given in the Reports for the School Year, 1897-98.

HIGHER SCHOOLS FOR COLORED PEOPLE.

Atlanta Baptist College, founded originally at Augusta, Ga., 1867, transferred to Atlanta, incorporated 1879; charter amended 1897, changing

the name to Atlanta Baptist College and giving the power of granting degrees; Rev. George Sale, President, 1890; teachers employed, white 6, colored 6; present estimated value of property, \$109,000; no incumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$1005.00; receipts, from Slater Fund \$1100.00, from tuition \$530.12, board \$3161.47, white churches and individuals \$604.60, colored churches and individuals \$194.07, old accounts \$152.99, sources not included in classified accounts \$3078.10, total receipts \$8821.35; expenditures, for school supplies \$376.60, boarding department \$1714.53, improvements and repairs \$1762, gratuities \$476.32, salaries \$6000, sundries not included in classified accounts \$1421.72, total expenditures \$11,751.79; appropriations, by the Society \$4900, Slater Board \$1100, total appropriations \$6000; enrolment, males, 146; average attendance, day students 40, boarders 50, general average 90; preparing for college, 37; pursuing college course, 7; preparing to teach, 51; preparing for the ministry, 38; pursuing minister's course, 17; receiving gratuity, 29; conversions, 1; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$66.66; for school supplies \$4.18; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$34.29; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$110.99.

Alabama Colored Baptist University, founded at Selma, Ala., 1878, incorporated 1878; Rev. C. S. Dinkins, D.D., President, 1893; teachers employed, white 2, colored 8; present estimated value of property, \$27,050; no incumbrance; floating debts, \$365.60; endowment fund \$....; receipts, balance in hand from previous year \$21.48, from tuition \$645.45, board \$2091.60, white churches and individuals \$96.05, colored churches and individuals \$1805.08, old accounts \$177.75, sources not included in classified accounts \$35.15, total receipts \$4872.56; expenditures, for school supplies \$133.70, boarding department \$1176.69, improvements and repairs \$102.49, students' labor \$264.88, gratuities \$112.50; salaries \$3013.71, sundries not included in classified accounts, \$1293.23, total expenditures, \$6097.20; appropriations, by the Society \$1000, by Women's Society, Chicago, \$360, by the Trustees \$1653.71, total appropriations \$3013.71; enrolment, males 111, females 129, total 240; average attendance, day students 115, boarders 37, general average 152; preparing for college, 1; pursuing college course, 5; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 67; preparing to teach, 104; preparing for the ministry, 15; conversions, 11; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$19.82; for school supplies only, \$.88; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$31.80; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$39.43.

Arkansas Baptist College, founded at Little Rock, Ark., 1887, incorporated 1885; Rev. Joseph A. Booker,* President, 1889; teachers employed, white 1, colored 4; present estimated value of property, \$23,950; incumbrance, \$5000; floating debts, \$300; endowment fund, \$.....; receipts

from tuition \$560.80, white churches and individuals \$200, colored churches and individuals \$2190.45, old accounts \$14.00, total receipts \$2965.25; expenditures, for school supplies \$40.30, improvements and repairs \$18.90, students' labor \$106.62, salaries \$2378.95, sundries not included in classified accounts \$578.01, total expenditures \$3122.78; appropriations, by the Society \$600, by Woman's Society of Boston \$400, by Women's Society, Chicago, \$120, by the Trustees \$1258.95, total appropriations \$2378.95; enrolment, males 90, females 78, total 168; average attendance, boarders 90, general average 90; preparing for college, 25; pursuing college course, 6; preparing to teach, 40; preparing for the ministry, 11; pursuing minister's course, 11; receiving gratuity, 26; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$26.43; for school supplies only \$.44; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$.....; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$34.49.

Benedict College, founded at Columbia, S. C., 1870, incorporated 1895; Rev. A. C. Osborn, D.D., 1895; teachers employed, white 9, colored 3; present estimated value of property, \$76,000; no incumbrances; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$56,937.60; receipts, balance on hand from previous year \$1915.24, from tuition \$1278.18, board \$6380.05, white churches and individuals \$351.22, colored churches and individuals \$1349.82, old accounts \$255.41, sources not included in classified accounts \$943.11, total receipts \$12,473.03; expenditures, for school supplies \$439.49, boarding department \$4424.56, improvement and repairs \$1304.49, students' labor \$1333.97, salaries \$6046.50, sundries not included in classified accounts \$1608.46, total expenditures \$15,157.47; appropriations, by the Society \$5300, by Women's Society of Chicago \$360, by the Trustees \$386.50, total appropriations \$6046.50; enrolment, males 93, females 159, total 252; average attendance, day students 48, boarders 121, general average 169; preparing for college, 23; pursuing college course, 6; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 169; preparing to teach, 108; preparing for the ministry, 24; pursuing minister's course, 24; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$35.77; average supplies only, \$2.60; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$36.57; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$81.97.

Bishop College, founded at Marshall, Tex., 1881, incorporated 1885; Rev. N. Wolverton, President, 1891; teachers employed, white 9, colored 4; present estimated value of property, \$100,100; no incumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$.....; receipts, from tuition \$2,444.30, Slater Fund \$1000, board \$6695.12, white churches and individuals \$20, colored churches and individuals \$153.61, old accounts \$111.14, sources not included in classified accounts \$386.38, total receipts \$10,810.55; expenditures, for school supplies \$1608.86; boarding department \$5022.77,

improvements and repairs \$2054.76, gratuities \$127.25, salaries \$6960, sundries not included in classified accounts \$187.73, total expenditures \$15,961.37; appropriations, by the Society \$5600, by Slater Board \$1000, by Women's Society of Chicago \$360, total appropriations \$6960; enrolment, males 187, females 163, total 350; average attendance, day students 121, boarders 134, general average 255; preparing for college, 29; pursuing college course, 7; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 333; preparing to teach, 99; preparing for the ministry, 23; pursuing minister's course, 3; receiving gratuity, 24; conversions, 20; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$27.29; for school supplies only \$6.30; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$37.48; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$54.53.

Hartshorn Memorial College (for females only), founded at Richmond, Va., 1884, incorporated 1884; Rev. L. B. Tefft, D.D., President, 1884; teachers employed, white 7, colored 2; present estimated value of property, \$53,050; no incumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$.....; receipts, balance from previous year, \$1356.60; from tuition \$501.80; board \$2824.73, white churches and individuals \$1171.49, colored churches and individuals \$142.21, old accounts \$312.00, sources not included in classified accounts \$324.19, total receipts \$6633.02; expenditures, for school supplies \$233.23, boarding department \$2035.58, improvements and repairs \$421.98, gratuities \$261.66, salaries \$4462.24, sundries not included in classified accounts \$605.07, total expenditures \$7569.76; appropriations, by the Society \$1200, by Woman's Society, Boston, \$1700, by Woman's Society of Michigan, \$450; by Trustees, \$1112.24, total appropriations \$4462.24; enrolment, males 2, females 89, total 91; average attendance, day students 20, boarders 55, general average 75; preparing for college, 4; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 77; preparing to teach, 46; receiving gratuity, 9; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$53.49; for school supplies only, \$3.11; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$37.01; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$95.30.

Jackson College, founded at Natchez, Miss., 1877; transferred to Jackson, Miss., 1884; Rev. L. G. Barrett, President, 1894; teachers employed, white 7, colored 3; present estimated value of property, \$27,359; no incumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$476.25; receipts, balance from previous year \$95.15, from tuition \$592.14, board \$2683.06, white churches and individuals \$331.75, colored churches and individuals \$122.40, old accounts \$119.15, sources not included in classified accounts \$112.17, total receipts \$4055.82; expenditures, for school supplies \$174.53, boarding department \$1218.06, improvements and repairs \$875.36,

students' labor \$4.50, gratuities \$138.25, salaries \$4668.00, sundries not included in classified accounts \$381.98, total expenditures \$7460.68; appropriations, by the Society \$3775, by the Woman's Society of Boston \$800, by the Trustees \$93, total appropriations \$4668; enrolment, males 57, females 65, total 122; average attendance, day students 21, boarders 65, general average 86; preparing to teach, 33; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 60; preparing for the ministry, 13; receiving gratuity, 30; conversions, 4; average cost per pupil for instruction only \$54.27; for school supplies only, \$2.03; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$18.74; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$76.57.

Richmond Theological Seminary, founded at Richmond, Va., 1867; incorporated 1876; Rev. Charles H. Corey, D.D., President, 1868; teachers employed, white 1, colored 3; present estimated value of property, \$40,000; no incumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$65,348.91; building fund, \$.....; receipts, balance in hand from previous year \$900.04, from tuition \$376, from board \$1412, white churches and individuals \$1070, colored churches and individuals \$13.75, sources not included in classified accounts \$1711.01, total receipts \$5482.80; expenditures, for school supplies \$304.96, boarding department \$1399.20, improvements and repairs \$110.07, gratuities \$1180.50, salaries \$4513.00, sundries not included in classified accounts \$1401.75, total expenditures \$8909.48; appropriations, by the Society \$4450, by the Trustees \$63, total appropriations \$4513; enrolment, males 59; average attendance, day students 18, boarders 28, general average 46; pursuing a full theological course, 59; minister's course, 59; receiving gratuity, 43; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$98.10; for school supplies only, \$6.63; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$49.97; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$191.29.

Roger Williams University, founded at Nashville, Tenn., 1864, incorporated 1883; Rev. Owen James, D.D., 1895; teachers employed, white 10, colored 4; present estimated value of property, \$205,000; no incumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$4550.96; receipts, balance from previous year \$55.01, from tuition \$1350.90, board \$5619.14; white churches and individuals \$61.80, colored churches and individuals \$63.26, old accounts \$1045.92, sources not included in classified accounts \$450.73, total receipts \$8646.76; expenditures, for school supplies \$395.21, boarding department \$4602.66, improvements and repairs \$970.05, students' labor \$528.02, gratuities \$393.31, salaries \$6560, sundries not included in classified accounts \$839.22; total expenditures \$13,608.47; appropriations, by the Society \$5800, by the Woman's Society of Boston \$400, by the Women's Society of Chicago \$360, total appropriations \$6560; enrolment, males 136, females 84, total

220; average attendance, day students 79, boarders 87, general average 166; preparing for college 46, pursuing college course, 21; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 48; preparing to teach, 56; preparing for the ministry, 21; pursuing minister's course, 3; receiving gratuity, 47; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$39.51; for school supplies only, \$2.38; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$52.90; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$79.59.

Shaw University, founded at Raleigh, N. C., 1865, incorporated 1875; Prof. Charles F. Meserve, President, 1893; teachers employed, white 17, colored 7; present estimated value of property, \$90,000; incumbrance, \$1500; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$938.02; receipts, balance on hand \$376.43, from tuition \$3192.61, board \$7728, white churches and individuals \$1330.33, colored churches and individuals \$336.57, old accounts \$246.90, sources not included in the classified accounts \$208, Slater Board \$2500, total receipts \$15,918.84; expenditures, for school supplies \$478.33, boarding department \$5048.15, improvements and repairs \$1592.86, gratuities \$175.61; students' labor \$255.50, salaries \$16,621.65, sundries not included in classified accounts \$1526.74, total expenditures \$25,698.84; appropriations, by the Society \$7280, Slater Board \$2500, Women's Society, Chicago, \$740, by Trustees \$6101.65, total appropriations \$16,621.65; enrolment, males 178, females 174, total 352; average attendance, day students 77, boarders 160, general average 237; preparing for college, 39; pursuing college course, 24; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 174; preparing to teach, 170; preparing for the ministry, 16; pursuing missionary training course, 12; receiving gratuity, 14; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$70.13; for school supplies only, \$2.01; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$31.55; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$101.71.

Spelman Seminary (for females only), founded at Atlanta, Ga., 1881; incorporated 1888; Miss S. B. Packard and Miss H. E. Giles, Associate Principals, 1881-'91; Miss H. E. Giles, President, 1891; Miss L. H. Upton, Dean, 1891; teachers employed, white 36, colored 3; present estimated value of property, \$162,500; encumbrance, \$350.37; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$5820.00; receipts, from tuition \$2085.92, board \$9825.29, white churches and individuals \$1892.59, colored churches and individuals \$193.39, old accounts \$947.77, sources not included in classified accounts \$2566.51, Slater Board \$3900, total receipts \$21,411.47; expenditures, for school supplies \$1818.83, boarding department \$5911.65, improvements and repairs \$1587.91, students' labor \$64.50, gratuities \$1,536.93, salaries \$20,581.90, sundries not included in classified accounts \$1908.67, total expenditures \$33,410.39; appropriations, by Woman's Society, Boston, \$7500, by Slater Board \$3900, by special friends \$9181.90,

28; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$17.90; for school supplies only, \$.47; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$36.26; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$37.12.

Florida Institute, founded at Live Oak, Fla., 1876; incorporated 1876; Rev. G. P. McKinney, Principal, 1892; teachers employed, colored 6; present estimated value of property, \$11,170; no incumbrance; floating debts, \$850; receipts, from tuition \$418.05, board \$1113.27, white churches and individuals \$.50, colored churches and individuals \$1604.51, old accounts \$210.55, sources not included in classified accounts \$22.19, total receipts \$3369.07; expenditures, for school supplies \$64.69, boarding department \$990.98, improvements and repairs \$291.46, students' labor \$47.50, gratuities \$35, salaries \$2122.85, sundries not included in classified accounts \$312.63, total expenditures \$3865.11; appropriations, by the Society \$500, by the Trustees \$1622.85, total appropriations \$2122.85; enrolment, males 56, females 68, total 124; average attendance, day pupils 48, boarders 21, general average 69; pursuing college course, 14; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 23; preparing to teach, 21; preparing for the ministry, 6; receiving gratuities, 4; conversions, 19; average cost per pupil for instruction only \$30.76; for school supplies only, \$.93; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$47.19; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$51.79.

Coleman Academy, founded at Gibsland, La.; incorporated 1887; Prof. O. L. Coleman, Principal, 1890; teachers employed, colored 5; present estimated value of property, \$11,700; no incumbrance; floating debts, \$200; receipts, from tuition \$529.48, board \$773.20, white churches and individuals \$1007, colored churches and individuals \$325.60, old accounts \$60.70, total receipts \$2695.98; expenditures, for school supplies \$13.40, boarding department \$997.60; improvements and repairs \$512.36, students' labor \$255.45, salaries \$2382.43, sundries not included in classified accounts \$792.84, total expenditures \$4954.08; appropriations, by the Society \$500, by the Woman's Society of Boston \$500, by the Trustees \$1382.43, total appropriations \$2382.43, enrolment, males 102, females 99, total 201; average attendance, day pupils 67, boarders 24, general average 91; preparing for college, 33; pursuing college course, 34; preparing to teach, 100; preparing for the ministry, 23; pursuing missionary training course, 10; receiving gratuity, 22; conversions, 12; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$26.17; for school supplies only, \$.14; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$41.56; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$48.88.

*Hearne Academy, founded at Hearne, Tex.; Prof. J. H. Anderson, 1896; teachers employed, colored 6; present estimated value

*Financial Statement made in Annual Report defective.

of property, \$6000; no incumbrance; floating debts \$2400; receipts, white churches and individuals \$100, colored churches and individuals \$596.90; appropriations, by the Society \$500; enrolment, males 34, females 40, total 74; average attendance, day pupils 16, boarders 31, general average 47; preparing for college, 35; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 42; preparing to teach, 35; preparing for the ministry, 2; pursuing minister's course, 2; pursuing missionary training course, 7; receiving gratuity, 31; conversions, 7; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$3; for school supplies only, \$2.10; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$6.80; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$10.90.

Houston Academy, founded at Houston, Tex., 1893; incorporated 1893; Rev. J. H. Garnett, D.D., Principal, 1894; teachers employed, colored 3; present estimated value of property, \$10,000; incumbrance, \$3625; floating debts \$27.25; receipts, balance in hand from previous year \$153.02, from tuition \$329, board \$582.45, colored churches and individuals \$208.20, old accounts \$62, total receipts \$1334.67; expenditures, school supplies \$28.75, boarding department \$472.03, improvements and repairs \$43.80; students' labor \$18.25, gratuities \$101.75, salaries \$760, sundries not included in classified accounts \$556, total expenditures \$1980.58; appropriations, by the Society \$300, by the Woman's Society, Boston, \$200, by the Trustees \$260, total appropriations \$760; enrolment, males 24, females 44, total 68; average attendance, day pupils 26, boarders 13, general average 39; preparing to teach, 5; preparing for the ministry, 2; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 68; receiving gratuity, 30; conversions, 6; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$19.48; for school supplies only, \$.73; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$34.77; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$49.66.

Jeruel Academy, founded at Athens, Ga.; Rev. J. H. Brown, Principal, 1893; teachers employed, colored 5; present estimated value of property, \$7860; no incumbrance; no floating debts; receipts, from tuition \$475.14, board \$847.31, colored churches and individuals \$549.67, old accounts \$131.71, sources not included in classified accounts \$7.25; total receipts \$2011.08; expenditures, for school supplies \$103.58, boarding department \$657.41, improvements and repairs \$273.01, students' labor \$13.50, salaries \$1381.86, sundries not included in classified accounts \$81.72, total expenditures \$2511.08; appropriations, by the Society \$500, by the Trustees \$881.86, total \$1381.86; enrolment, males 93, females 128, total 221; average attendance, day pupils 52, boarders 40, general average 92; preparing to teach, 165; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 80; preparing for the ministry, 9; pursuing nurse-training course, 20; receiving

gratuity, 2; conversions, 5; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$15.02; for school supplies only, \$1.12; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$16.43; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$24.32.

Mather School, founded at Beaufort, S. C., 1869; Mrs. R. C. Mather, Principal, 1869; teachers employed, white 4, colored 2; receipts, from board \$120; colored churches and individuals \$900, sources not included in classified accounts \$80, total receipts \$1100; expenditures, for school supplies \$12, boarding department \$258, improvements and repairs \$50, gratuities \$215, salaries \$700, total expenditures \$1235; appropriations, by the Society \$700; enrolment, males 58, females 96; average attendance, day pupils 57, boarders 26, general average 83; preparing to teach, 7; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 43; receiving gratuity, 47; conversions, 6; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$8.43; for school supplies only, \$.14; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$9.90; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$14.27.

Spiller Academy, located at Hampton, Va.; was founded by Rev. R. Spiller, and in 1897 became affiliated with the Virginia Union University. Rev. George E. Read, Principal, 1898. Colored teachers, 5; present estimated value of property, \$6950; incumbrance, \$1000; floating debts, \$95.75; receipts, colored churches and individuals \$480; appropriation, by the Society \$500; enrolment of students, males 45, females 56, total 101; average attendance, day pupils 60, boarders 21, general average 81; preparing for college, 37; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 13; preparing to teach, 41; preparing for the ministry, 5; pursuing minister's course, 5; receiving gratuity, 7; conversions, 16; average cost per pupil for instruction, \$12.08; for school supplies, \$13.36; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it, \$6.48; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$20.28.

Virginia Seminary, founded at Lynchburg, Va.; incorporated 1888; Prof. G. W. Hayes, Principal, 1891; teachers employed, colored 13.* Enrolment, males 117, females 147, total 264; average attendance, day pupils 159, boarders 65, general average 224; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 35; preparing to teach, 53; preparing for the ministry, 32; pursuing minister's course, 32; receiving gratuity, 15; conversions, 2; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$9.32; for school supplies only, \$.73; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$26.72; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$25.16.

Walker Institute, founded at Augusta, Ga.; incorporated 1885; Prof.

*The financial statement rendered in the Annual Report of the Seminary, which is here omitted, was referred to the Trustees for correction and has not been returned.

G. A. Goodwin, Principal, 1892; teachers, colored 4; present estimated value of property, \$5000; no incumbrance; floating debts, \$200; receipts, from tuition \$584.15, white churches and individuals \$50.20, colored churches and individuals \$1427.39, old accounts \$24.75; sources not included in classified accounts \$52.25, total receipts \$2138.74; expenditures, for school supplies \$98.93, improvements and repairs \$754.35, gratuities \$181.60, salaries \$1421.53, sundries not included in classified accounts \$182.33, total expenditures \$2638.74, appropriations, by the Society \$500, by the Trustees \$921.53, total \$1421.53; enrolment, males 41, females 80, total 121; average attendance, day pupils 83; preparing for college, 21; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 6; preparing to teach, 78; preparing for the ministry, 5; receiving gratuity, 55; conversions, 10; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$17.12; for school supplies only \$1.19; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$.....; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$22.70.

Waters' Normal Institute, founded at Winton, N. C., incorporated 1887; Rev. C. S. Brown, Principal, 1890; teachers employed, colored 4; present estimated value of property, \$10,630; incumbrance, \$1465; no floating debts; receipts, balance in hand from previous year \$63.72, from tuition \$203, board \$800.95, white churches and individuals \$198, colored churches and individuals \$534.50, old accounts \$128.75, total receipts \$1928.92; expenditures, for school supplies \$14.85, boarding department \$614.44, improvements and repairs \$221.43, salaries \$1100, sundries not included in classified accounts \$267.33, total expenditures \$2218.05; appropriations, by the Society \$500, by the Woman's Society of Boston \$600, total \$1100; enrolment, males 111, females 118, total 229; average attendance, day pupils 76, boarders 35, general average 111; preparing to teach, 40; preparing for the ministry, 4; pursuing minister's course, 3; receiving gratuity, 10; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$9; for school supplies only, \$.13; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$17.55; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$17.99.

Western College, founded at Macon, Mo., 1891; incorporated 1894; Rev. E. L. Scruggs, Principal, 1892; teachers employed, colored 4; present estimated value of property, \$15,875; incumbrance, \$2000; floating debts, \$1540.10; receipts, white churches and individuals \$484.65, colored churches and individuals \$2186.23; appropriation, by the Society \$500; enrolment, males 71, females 63, total 134; average attendance, day pupils 44, boarders 40, general average 84; preparing for college, 5; pursuing college course, 1; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 30; preparing to teach, 15; preparing for the ministry, 5; receiving gratuity, 24; conversions, 5.

HIGHER AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR INDIANS.

Indian University, founded at Tahlequah, 1879; incorporated 1881; transferred to Muscogee, 1885; Rev. J. H. Scott, President, 1897 (Bacone P. O., Ind. Ter.); teachers employed, 10; present estimated value of property, \$26,200; no incumbrance; no floating debt; endowment fund, \$1626.02, receipts, balance on hand from previous year \$36.78, from tuition \$872.93, board \$2871.15, churches and individuals \$26, old accounts \$740.11, sources not included in classified accounts \$216.95, total receipts \$4763.92; expenditures, for school supplies \$118.55, boarding department \$2944.41, improvements and repairs \$325.78, students' labor \$18.80, salaries \$4215.12, sundries not included in classified accounts \$1089.75, total expenditures \$8712.41; appropriations, by the Society \$3150, by the Woman's Society of Boston \$400, by the Woman's Society of Chicago \$360, by the Trustees \$305.12, total \$4215.12; enrolment, males 61, females 50, total 111; average attendance, day students 15, boarders 43, general average 58; pursuing college course, 6; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 23; preparing to teach, 7; preparing for the ministry, 4; conversions, 16; average cost per pupil for instruction only \$72.67, for school supplies only \$2.04, for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$68.42; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$144.59.

Atoka Academy, founded at Atoka, I. T., 1888; not incorporated; Prof. E. H. Rishel, Principal, 1891; teachers employed, 9; present estimated value of property, \$8755; no incumbrance; floating debts, \$575; receipts, balance on hand from previous year \$351.89, from tuition \$2384.86, board \$5251.65, churches and individuals, \$511.35, old accounts \$116.40, sources not included in classified accounts \$866.60, total receipts \$9482.75; expenditures, for school supplies \$168.16, boarding department \$4626.44, improvements and repairs \$1828.63, gratuities \$96.50, sundries not included in classified accounts \$227.84, salaries \$2804.15, total expenditures \$9751.72; appropriations, by the Society \$1025, by the Woman's Society of Boston \$800, by the Trustees \$619.15, by the Chicago Society \$360, total \$2804.15; enrolment, males 91, females 104, total 195; average attendance, day pupils 94, boarders 42, general average 136; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 60; preparing to teach, 10; preparing for the ministry, 2; receiving gratuity, 20; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$20.61; for school supplies only, \$1.23; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$110.15; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$58.25.

Cherokee Academy, founded at Tahlequah, I. T., 1886; not incorporated; Prof. J. C. Park, Principal, 1897; teachers employed, 4; present estimated value of property, \$5325; no incumbrance; floating debts, \$120.73; receipts, from tuition \$310.75, board \$546.13, churches and in-

dividuals \$140, old accounts \$21.70, sources not included in classified accounts \$80.98, total receipts \$1099.56; expenditures for school supplies \$106.47, boarding department \$544.16, improvements and repairs \$232.17, salaries \$1349.94, sundries not included in classified accounts \$47.55, total expenditures \$2280.29; appropriations, by the Society \$1200, by the Trustees \$194.94, total \$1349.94; enrolment, males 74, females 77, total 151; average attendance, day pupils 57, boarders 9, general average 66; preparing for college, 3; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 13; preparing to teach, 2; receiving gratuities, 6; conversions, 5; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$20.45; for school supplies only, \$1.61; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$60.46; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$31.03.

Wichita Mission School, founded at Anadarko, Okla. Ter.; Rev. D. Noble Crane, Principal, 1894; teachers employed, 4; expended for teachers' salaries, by the Society \$300, by the Woman's Society of Boston \$700; students enrolled, males 13, females 14, total 27; average attendance, boarders 24; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 27; preparing for college, 1; receiving gratuity, 54; conversions, 8.

CHINESE MISSION SCHOOLS.

Appropriations by the Society in California: San Francisco, \$1000; Oakland, \$500. In Oregon: Albany, \$50; Portland, \$200. In Washington: Spokane, \$300. By the Woman's Society of Boston in California: Fresno, \$480; Sacramento, \$400; Butte City, Mont., \$300.

SCHOOLS IN UTAH.

Appropriations by the Woman's Society of Boston: Provo, \$702.

SCHOOLS IN MEXICO.

Appropriations by the Woman's Society of Boston: International, \$440; Santa Rosa, \$165.

SCHOOLS IN NEW MEXICO.

Appropriations by the Society, \$300; by the Woman's Society of Boston, Rinconada, \$600.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1897-98.

1. The enrolment of students for colored people was, males 2152, females 2603, total 4755; the average number of boarders was 1457, day pupils 1660, general average 3117. Of the number enrolled, 387 were studying for the ministry, 1624 preparing to teach, 62 in the missionary-

training course, 50 in the nurse-training course, and 1614 received systematic instruction in some line of industrial work. The enrolment in schools for Indians was, 239 males, 245 females, total 484. Of this number 6 were studying for the ministry and 19 preparing to teach. The total enrolment in all the schools, both colored and Indian, was 5239, and the total number of conversions during the year was 227.

2. There were employed in all of the 26 colored schools receiving help from the American Baptist Home Mission Society 249 teachers, 118 white, 131 colored; 97 of whom were males and 152 females. Of the male teachers 28 were white and 69 colored; of the female teachers 90 were white and 62 colored.

3. The expenditure for the salary of teachers for the school year 1897-98 was as follows: The American Baptist Home Mission Society contributed for Negro schools \$52,272.50, Indian schools \$5675, Chinese and Mexican schools \$2350; the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society of New England, Negro schools \$13,560, Indian schools \$1200, Chinese, Mormon, and Mexican schools \$3087; the Women's Baptist Home Mission Society of Chicago, Negro schools \$3020, Indian schools \$720; The Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society of Michigan, Negro schools, \$450; Trustees and special friends of the 10 Negro schools managed by the American Baptist Home Mission Society, \$16,978.29; the John F. Slater Fund, \$8500; the 16 schools controlled by Negro trustees, \$12,929.08; and trustees of Indian schools, \$1074.21; making a total expenditure for teachers' salaries of \$121,816.08. Of this amount, \$107,009.87 were paid to teachers in colored schools, \$9369.21 to teachers in Indian schools, and \$5437 to teachers in schools for Chinese, Mormons, and Mexicans.

4. The receipts from the colored people themselves for 1897-98 were as follows: From tuition fees \$19,280.36, from charge for board \$58,929.16, from old accounts \$5047.53, from sources not designated in reports from schools, \$11,568.52, from churches and individuals \$20,239.04, making a total of \$115,064.61. Of this amount, \$12,929.08 has been paid, as stated above in paragraph 3, on teachers' salaries, and the balance, \$102,135.53, has been expended for other current expenses, including board, school supplies, etc., by the President or Principal of each of the 26 schools, under the direction of the authorities of the institutions.

5. The American Baptist Home Mission Society contributed for the support of the colored schools in 1897-98, in addition to the \$52,272.50 paid on the salaries of teachers given above in paragraph 3, the sum of \$15,286.33, which was expended for buildings and other purposes, making the total contribution by the Society \$67,558.83; this amount, and the \$54,287.37 contributed by the other outside sources named above in paragraph 3, added to the \$115,064.61 contributed by the colored people, as given in paragraph 4, make a grand total of \$236,910.81; or, about a

quarter of a million dollars expended in the education of the colored people in the schools helped by the Society during the school year 1897-98.

6. There are now 26 schools for colored people helped by the American Baptist Home Mission Society; 16 of which are under the entire control and management of Negro boards of trustees. In the other 10, the salaries of all of the teachers, amounting to \$81,190.79, are paid through the American Baptist Home Mission Society by the parties named above in paragraph 3. Of these 10 schools, Jackson College and Wayland Seminary have at present no board of trustees, and hence are managed from the office in New York. Each of the other 8 schools has a board of trustees composed of white and colored members, which is charged with the direct management of the institution, subject to approval by the Executive Board of the Society. There are in all of these boards 59 white and 23 colored members. The Society in 1897-98 contributed to these 10 schools for teachers' salaries \$42,772.50, and for building and other purposes \$13,603.90, making a total of \$56,376.40. The colored people, in addition to paying the charge made in these 10 institutions for instruction, board, etc., have contributed for their support as follows: Churches and individuals, \$2649.33; surplus from the schools, \$4698.47; making a total of \$7347.80, or an average per school of \$734.78. This amount falls far short of meeting the expense of necessary wear and tear to buildings, furniture, etc.

7. The 16 schools under the entire control and management of Negro boards of trustees consist of 4 holding College charters, and 12 Secondary or Academic schools. The aggregate salary of all of the teachers in these 16 schools in 1897-98 was \$25,369.08; of which the American Baptist Home Mission Society paid \$9500. The expenditure for board, school supplies, and all other current expenses was \$22,765.14, making a total expenditure for 1897-98 of \$48,134.22. This amount provides but very meagrely for the support of the schools. Each of these schools is subject to visitation by the Superintendent of Education and is required to make the same financial and other reports to the office in New York as the schools under the more immediate control of the Home Mission Society.

CONCLUSION.

In closing our last Annual Report reference was made to the impending war between the United States and Spain. We all rejoice that the war was of short duration; that an honorable peace has been concluded; that the majesty and dignity of the Nation was sustained on land and on sea, by a series of marvelous victories which seem to be Providential. The Nation has entered upon a

new era of material prosperity and has assumed vast moral obligations to the inhabitants of Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippine Islands, and there has been laid upon the Protestant churches of this country the grave responsibility of active, comprehensive missionary work among more than 12,000,000 of people. Your Board is anxious that the Home Mission Society shall be enabled by the churches to meet its full share of this new responsibility.

ALVAH S. HOBART,
Chairman.

THOS. J. MORGAN,
Cor. Secretary.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31ST, 1899.

RECEIPTS FOR THE GENERAL FUND.			
Contributions for Missions.....	\$194,383 98		
" " Education.....	11,023 41	\$205,407 39	
Legacies for Missions....	\$31,952 54		
" " Education.....	2,000 00	33,952 54	
Total of General Contributions, not including Con- tributions designated for Schools.....		\$239,359 93	
From Annuity Fund, released by the death of Donors....	\$89,752 81		
" " " profit on sale of Stock.....	4,200 00	93,952 81	
From contributions for the Joint Debt.....			\$333,312 74 1,191 01
SCHOOLS.			
Wayland Seminary, D. C.— Contributions for Wayland Seminary.....	\$400 00		
" Specially Designated.....	60 00	\$460 00	
Richmond Theological Seminary, Va.— Contributions for Richmond Theological Seminary...	\$39 00		
" Specially Designated.....	250 00	289 00	
Hartshorn Memorial College, Va.— Contributions for Hartshorn Memorial College.....	\$1,937 50		
" Specially Designated.....	5 00	1,942 50	
Shaw University, N. C.— Contributions for Shaw University.....	\$158 39		
" Specially Designated.....	50 00	208 39	
Benedict College, S. C.— Contributions for Benedict College.....		50 00	
Spelman Seminary, Ga.— Contributions for Spelman Seminary.....		7,956 45	
Atlanta Baptist College, Ga.— Contributions for Atlanta Baptist College.....	\$39 69		
" Specially Designated.....	75 00	114 69	
Roger Williams University, Tenn.— Contributions for Roger Williams University.....		450 00	
Amount forward.....		\$11,471 03	\$334,503 75

Amount brought forward.....		\$11,471 03	\$334,503 75
SCHOOLS.—Continued.			
Jackson College, Miss.— Contributions for Jackson College		500 00	
Bishop College, Tex — Surplus.....		809 18	
Indian University, Ind. Ter.— Contributions for Indian University.....	\$371 08		
" Specially Designated ...	10 00	381 08	
State University, Ky.— Contributions for State University.....		399 96	
Coleman Academy, La.—		443 75	
Wichita Baptist Mission School, Anadarko, O. T — Contributions for Wichita Baptist Mission School —	\$1,440 00		
" Specially Designated.....	12 40	1,452 40	
Cherokee Academy, Ind. Ter.— Contributions for Cherokee Academy.....		7 00	
Atoka Academy, Ind. Ter.— Contributions for Atoka Academy.....	\$844 36		
" Specially Designated.....	5 00	849 36	
Waters' Normal Institute, N. C.— Contributions for Waters' Normal Institute.....		525 00	
Mather School, S. C.— Contributions for Mather School....		950 00	
Arkansas Baptist College, Ark — Contributions for Arkansas Baptist College.....		425 00	
Houston Academy, Tex.— Contributions for Houston Academy.....		50 00	
Chinese Schools, California.— Contributions for Fresno School.....	\$473 35		
" " Sacramento School.....	400 00	873 35	
Provo School, Utah.— Contributions for Provo School.....		702 00	
Butte, Mont., School.— Contributions for Butte School.....		300 00	
Amount forward.....		\$20,150 11	\$334,503 75

Amount brought forward.....		\$20,159 11	\$334,503 75
SCHOOLS.—Continued.			
Schools in Mexico.—			
Contributions for International School.....	\$438 57		
" " Santa Rosa School.....	63 80		
" " Montemorelos School.....	105 00		
		607 37	
Velarde, New Mex., School.—			
Contributions for Velarde School.....		600 00	
Virginia Union University, Va.—			
Contributions for Virginia Union University.....	\$7,251 12		
" Specially Designated.....	2,375 00		
" Released from Annuity Fund.....	20,000 00		
		29,626 12	
Total Receipts for Schools.....			50,992 60
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Received from Sale and Rent of Real Estate.....		\$2,529 23	
" " Income from Permanent Trust Funds.....		19,606 11	
" " " Isaac Davis Fund.....		405 00	
" " " Conditional and Annuity Fund.....		17,207 69	
" " Interest and Dividends.....		333 01	
" " Home Mission Monthly.....		3,288 42	
" " Jubilee Volume.....		3 75	
" " Church Edifice Funds for Share of Expenses.			43,373 21
			5,116 55
Total Amount Received.....			\$433,986 11
Cash in Treasury, April 1, 1898.....			9,248 57
			\$443,234 68

EXPENDITURES FOR MISSIONS AND EDUCATION.

Missionaries, viz.:		
To the English Speaking.....	\$100,812 79	
" Scandinavians.....	26,758 52	
" Germans.....	14,852 07	
" French.....	6,058 10	
" Colored.....	10,001 17	
" Indians.....	6,987 63	
" Chinese.....	3,750 97	
" Mexicans.....	10,056 70	
" Bohemians.....	557 08	
" Portuguese.....	360 00	
" Cubans.....	993 45	
" Porto Ricans.....	763 75	
" Finns.....	288 57	
" Japanese.....	300 00	
" Poles.....	1,122 39	
" Italians.....	2,684 17	
" Jews.....	1,050 01	
" Armenians.....	50 00	
		\$187,447 37
SCHOOLS.		
Wayland Seminary, D. C.—		
Salary of Geo. R. Hovey, President.....	\$1,500 00	
" " Teachers.....	4,123 95	
Expenses.....	91 09	
		\$5,715 04
Richmond Theological Seminary, Va.—		
Salary of Rev. C. H. Corey, D.D., President.....	\$1,500 00	
" " Teachers.....	3,037 32	
Expenses.....	1,603 99	
		6,141 31
Hartshorn, Memorial College, Va.—		
Salary of Rev. L. B. Tefft, President.....	\$1,200 00	
" " Teachers.....	2,075 00	
		3,275 00
Shaw University, N. C.—		
Salary of Charles F. Meserve, President.....	\$2,000 00	
" " Teachers.....	5,410 00	
Specially Designated for Students.....	134 71	
Insurance.....	378 05	
		7,922 76
Benedict, College, S. C.—		
Salary of Rev. A. C. Osborn, D.D., President.....	\$1,500 00	
" " Teachers.....	4,403 00	
Expenses.....	90 16	
Insurance.....	140 50	
		6,133 66
Atlanta Baptist College, Ga.—		
Salary of Rev. George Sale, President.....	\$1,500 00	
" " Teachers.....	3,665 00	
Expenses.....	1,901 95	
Insurance.....	314 76	
		7,381 71
Amount forward....		\$36,569 48
		\$187,447 37

Amount brought forward.....		\$36,569 48	\$187,447 37
SCHOOLS.—Continued.			
Spelman Seminary, Ga.—			
Salary of Miss H. E. Giles, President.....	\$800 00		
" " " L. H. Upton, Vice-President.....	600 00		
" " Teachers.....	6,262 50		
Expenses.....	945 01		
Insurance.....	266 20		
		\$8,873 71	
Roger Williams University, Tenn.—			
Salary of Rev. A. T. Sowerby, President.....	\$375 00		
" " Rev. Owen James, ex-President.....	875 00		
" " Teachers.....	5,173 75		
Expenses.....	1,188 84		
Insurance.....	343 50		
		7,956 09	
Jackson College, Miss.—			
Salary of Rev. L. G. Barrett, President.....	\$1,400 02		
" " Teachers.....	3,181 22		
		4,581 24	
Blshop College, Tex.—			
Salary of Rev. Albert Loughridge, President.....	\$1,125 00		
" " Rev. N. Wolverton, ex-President.....	750 00		
" " Teachers.....	4,988 78		
Expenses.....	38 60		
Insurance.....	64 59		
Steam-heating Plant.....	1,150 00		
		8,116 97	
Indian University, Ind. Ter.—			
Salary of Rev. J. H. Scott, President.....	\$1,049 98		
" " Teachers.....	2,910 07		
Expenses.....	714 00		
Specially Designated.....	10 00		
		4,684 05	
Florida Institute, Live Oak, Fla.—			
Salary of Rev. G. P. McKimsey, Principal.....	\$124 98		
" " Teachers.....	249 96		
Salaries for School Year 1897-98.....	500 00		
		874 94	
Florida Baptist Academy, Fla.—			
Salary of Rev. N. W. Collier, Principal.....	\$300 00		
" " Teachers.....	200 00		
		500 00	
Alabama Baptist Colored University, Ala.—			
Salary of Rev. C. S. Dunkins, Principal.....	\$376 04		
" " Teachers.....	700 00		
		1,076 04	
State University, Ky.—			
Salary of Rev. C. L. Purce, Principal.....	\$150 00		
" " Teachers.....	850 00		
		1,000 00	
Waters' Normal Institute, N. C.—			
Salary of Rev. C. S. Brown, Principal.....	\$549 97		
" " Teachers.....	525 06		
		1,075 03	
Amount forward.....		\$75,307 55	\$187,447 37

Amount brought forward.....		\$75,307 55	\$187,447 37
SCHOOLS.—Continued.			
Mather School, S. C.—			
Salary of Teachers		950 00	
Bible and Normal Institute, Tenn —			
Salary of Teachers.....		550 00	
Coleman Academy, La.—			
Salary of Prof. O. L. Coleman, Principal.....	\$400 00		
" " Teachers.....	550 00		
		950 00	
Houston Academy, Tex.—			
Salary of Teachers	\$499 94		
Expenses.....	10 73		
		510 67	
Hearne Academy, Tex.—			
Salary of Rev. J. F. Anderson, Principal.....	\$281 28		
" " Teachers.....	218 78		
Expenses.....	10 73		
		510 79	
Virginia Seminary, Va.—			
Salary of P. of G. W. Haye*, Principal.....		250 03	
Jeruel Academy, Ga.—			
Salary of Prof. J. H. Brown, Principal.....	\$300 00		
" " Teachers.....	200 00		
		500 00	
Walker Baptist Institute, Ga.—			
Salary of N. W. Curtright, Principal	\$120 00		
" " Teachers.....	380 00		
		500 00	
Western College, Macon, Mo.—			
Salary of Prof. F. L. Scruggs, Principal.....	\$170 00		
" " Teachers.....	330 00		
		500 00	
Cherokee Academy, Ind. Ter.—			
Salary of Rev. J. C. Park, Principal.	\$777 77		
" " Teachers.....	622 23		
Expenses.....	65 00		
Insurance.....	16 25		
Specially Designated for Students.....	7 00		
		1,488 25	
Atoka Academy, Ind. Ter.—			
Salary of Prof. E. H. Rishel, Principal.....	\$858 30		
" " Teachers.....	947 16		
Insurance.....	45 00		
		1,850 46	
Wichita Baptist Mission, Anadarko, O. T.—			
Salary of Rev. D. Noble Crane, Principal.....	\$420 00		
" " Teachers.....	1,095 00		
Specially Designated for Students.....	12 40		
		1,527 40	
Amount forward.....		\$85,395 15	\$187,447 37

Amount brought forward.....		\$85,395 15	\$187,447 37
SCHOOLS.—Continued.			
American School, Ga.—			
Salary of Teachers.....	\$250 00		
Building Account.....	50 00	300 00	
Arkansas Baptist College, Ark.—			
Salary of Rev. J. A. Booker, Principal.....	\$475 00		
" " Teachers.....	637 50		
Building Account.....	250 00	1,362 50	
Virginia Union University, Va.—			
Construction account.....	\$15,566 73		
Expense, Rev. J. W. Kirby.....	1,273 71	16,840 44	
Chinese Schools, California.—			
Salary of Teachers at Fresno.....	\$493 32		
" " " " Sacramento.....	400 00		
" " " " San Francisco.....	658 21		
" " " " Oakland.....	583 30	2,134 83	
Chinese School, Spokane, Wash.—			
Salary of Teacher.....		300 00	
Chinese School, Butte, Mont.—			
Salary of Teacher.....		300 00	
Provo School, Utah.—			
Salary of Teachers.....	\$702 00		
Expenses.....	17 00	719 00	
Valverde School, New Mexico.—			
Salary of Teachers.....		1,005 00	
Schools in Mexico—			
International School, Salary of Teachers.....	\$409 31		
Expenses.....	29 26		
Montemorelos School.....	102 66		
Santa Rosa School.....	63 80	605 03	
Spiller Academy, Va.—			
Salary of Teachers.....		500 00	
Work in Tennessee—			
Salary and Expenses of Rev. W. G. Parks.....	\$223 61		
" " " " Rev. T. J. Searcy.....	313 87	537 48	
Work in Georgia—			
Salary and Expenses of Rev. F. M. Simmons.....		442 52	
Work in Mississippi—			
Salary and Expenses of Rev. B. J. Davis.....		281 95	
Total Expenditures for Schools.....			170,827 90
Amount forward.....			\$298,275 27

Amount brought forward.....		\$365,127 08
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Annuitants.....	\$21,299 38	
James M. Whitehead.....	600 00	
Virginia Baptist Publishing Co.....	556 97	
Expense of Real Estate.....	914 66	
		23,371 01
Debt of the Society, April 1st, 1898.....		\$388,498 09.
		13,846 30
Total Expenditures.....		\$402,344 39.
Cash awaiting investment.....		35,000 00
Cash in Treasury—Designated.....	\$5,249 34	
" " " —Undesignated.....	640 95	
		5,890 29.
Grand Total.....		\$443,234 68

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR CHURCH EDIFICE WORK.

CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT FUND: RECEIPTS.

Contributions for the Year.....	\$3,817 74	
Legacy.....	1,000 00	
Interest from Investments.....	8,309 19	
Income from Real Estate.....	882 08	
Transferred from Stella Fund.....	14,555 12	
		\$28,564 13
Gifts returned by Churches:		
Skiddy, Kan.....	\$106 00	
Hancock, Mich.....	30 00	
Topeka, Kan.....	71 96	
West Superior, Wis., First Church.....	400 00	
		607 96
Total Amount Received.....		\$29,172 09
Balance, April 1, 1898.....		2,108 88
		\$31,280 97

CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT FUND: EXPENDITURES.

Gifts to the following Churches:

Alaska, Skagway.....	\$900 00
*California, Berkeley.....	500 00
" Fresno, Chinese Mission.....	298 08
" Monterey.....	100 00
Colorado, Denver, Broadway Church.....	2,000 00
" " Calvary Church.....	2,000 00
Florida, Monte Vista.....	20 00
Illinois, Chicago, Swede Church.....	500 00
Indian Territory, Tulsa.....	100 00
" " Stillwell.....	200 00
*Iowa, Havelock.....	50 00
" Oakwood.....	100 00
* " Sioux City, Calvary Church.....	300 00
Kansas, Eureka.....	300 00
" Florence.....	19 08
* " Galena.....	200 00
" Hamilton.....	200 00
" Hiattville.....	50 00
" Lincoln.....	200 00
" Little Walnut Creek.....	50 00
" Paxico.....	150 00
" Plano.....	49 25
" Weir.....	100 00
Kentucky, Winchester.....	20 00
Maine, Lewiston, French Mission..	303 63
Manitoba, Canada, Winnipeg.....	400 00
*Michigan, Bay City.....	500 00
" Hancock.....	325 00
Minnesota, Brainerd.....	100 00
" Clayton.....	100 00
* " Lake Benton.....	250 00
* " Minneapolis, Swede Church.....	500 00
" Stillwater.....	100 00
Missouri, Noel.....	200 00
Montana, Belt.....	200 00
Nebraska, Falls City.....	30 00
* " Omaha, Immanuel Church.....	500 00
" Stromsburg.....	400 00
Amount forward.....	\$12,315 04

* Also a Loan from the Loan Fund.

CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT FUND: EXPENDITURES.—Continued.

Amount brought forward.....	\$12,315 04	
North Dakota, Berlin, German Church.....	200 00	
" Fessenden " ".....	206 00	
" Jewell.....	200 00	
*Oklahoma Territory, Alva.....	200 00	
* " Enid.....	250 00	
" Freedom.....	100 00	
" Geary.....	300 00	
* " Kingfisher.....	150 00	
" Stillwater.....	200 00	
" Sugar Creek River, Caddos.....	450 00	
" Watonga.....	270 00	
" Woodward.....	100 00	
Ontario, Canada, Haggerty, German Church.....	200 00	
*Oregon, Burns.....	125 00	
" Grants Pass.....	200 00	
" Juniper Flat.....	50 00	
" McMinnville.....	500 00	
* " Portland, Calvary Church.....	165 00	
South Dakota, Fairfax.....	300 00	
" Spencer.....	37 00	
* " Summit.....	100 00	
Virginia, Dublin.....	25 00	
Washington, Hartland.....	75 00	
* " Pullman.....	100 00	
" South Tacoma.....	100 00	
" Spokane, First Church.....	297 00	
West Virginia, Hulings.....	300 00	
" Mannington.....	250 00	
" Williamson.....	200 00	
Wyoming, Basin City.....	350 00	
Total Amount of Gifts.....		\$18,315 04
Expenses—		
Chapel Day.....	\$323 01	
Insurance.....	87 50	
Incidental.....	88 02	
Administration.....	2,996 77	
		\$3,495 30
Total Expenditures.....		\$21,810 34
Balance in Treasury April 1, 1899—Designated.....	\$7,555 12	
" " " " " —Undesignated.....	1,915 51	
		9,470 63
		\$31,280 97

*Also a Loan from the Loan Fund.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR CHURCH EDIFICE WORK.—Continued.

CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND: RECEIPTS.		
Contributions.....	\$331 41	
Loans Repaid.....	11,681 60	
Interest received.....	6,992 47	
		\$19,005 48
Balance April 1, 1898.....		3,015 26
		<hr/> \$22,020 74
CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND: EXPENDITURES.		
Loans to the following Churches:		
*California, Berkeley.....	500 00	
*Iowa, Havelock.....	100 00	
* " Sioux City, Calvary Church.....	200 00	
" Stuart.....	300 00	
Kansas, Empire City.....	100 00	
* " Galena.....	300 00	
" Hutchinson.....	100 00	
" Rosedale.....	200 00	
" Topeka.....	400 00	
" Wyandotte.....	400 00	
*Michigan, Bay City.....	2,000 00	
" Twining.....	125 00	
*Minnesota, Lake Benton.....	250 00	
* " Minneapolis, Swede Church.....	1,500 00	
Montana, Anaconda.....	800 00	
*Nebraska, Omaha, Immanuel Church.....	750 00	
*Oklahoma Territory, Alva.....	100 00	
* " " Enid.....	250 00	
* " " Kingfisher.....	100 00	
*Oregon, Burns.....	300 00	
* " Portland, Calvary Church.....	2,100 00	
*South Dakota, Summit.....	100 00	
*Washington, Pullman.....	100 00	
" Puyallup.....	1,000 00	
" Seattle, First Church.....	2,000 00	
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Total Amount of Loans.....		\$14,075 00
Amount Paid Annuitants.....	\$756 00	
Insurance of Sundry Churches.....	302 00	
Expenses—		
Interest.....	532 83	
Incidental.....	35 96	
Administration.....	3,319 68	
		<hr/> 4,946 47
Total Expenditures.....		\$19,021 47
Balance in the Treasury, April 1, 1899.....		2,999 27
		<hr/> \$22,020 74

*Also a Donation from the Benevolent Fund.

PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE SOCIETY.

I.—PERMANENT TRUST FUNDS.

The Society has received the following funds, which it holds in trust, using only the interest:

FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.

Allen, Jonas	\$100 00	Kelly, Chloe M.....	500 00
Ambler, J. V.....	15,000 00	Kendall, Horace.....	1,000 00
Anderson, David.....	1,000 00	Lees, Wm. B.....	950 00
Axtell, Mrs. H. E.....	311 11	Linch, Jarret	10,647 44
Bailey, David.....	1,055 00	Little, Nathan	3,874 68
Barker, Wm. E.....	100 00	Logan, John.....	400 00
Barney, Nancy Porter,		Merrick, Austin.....	49,351 88
Memorial	5,000 00	Norcross, S. W.....	500 00
Blain, John.....	1,000 00	Noyes, Mary.....	1,000 00
Bleecker, G. N.....	17,000 00	Nugent, George.....	1,000 00
Brimhall, Permelia.....	1,572 99	Pease, Nancy P.....	1,000 00
Brockett, E. J.....	1,000 00	Roberts, Elizabeth.....	3,000 00
Butler, Charles S.....	1,000 00	Rockwell, Rufus.....	461 80
Capen, Barnabas D.....	10,000 00	Rogers, Elizabeth W....	500 00
Carleton, Younglove	830 21	Rogers, Anna.....	500 00
Cheever, Wm.....	7,657 82	Russell, P. R.....	2,700 00
Corry, Aaron.....	1,480 81	Ruth, Mordecai T.....	5,242 68
Darling, Henry.....	1,000 00	Selleck, Levi.....	1,000 00
Davis, Isaac.....	10,100 00	Sherman, George J.....	1,000 00
Dunbar, Robert.....	500 00	Swaim, Mary A. N.....	9,400 00
Eldridge, Lyman.....	75 00	Thorn, Mrs. John, Me-	
Fay, Mrs. L. R. B.....	4,189 61	memorial	5,000 00
Fisk, Theron.....	2,500 00	Tripp, Susan.....	500 00
Flint, Harriet N.....	5,000 00	Van Husan, C., Memor-	
Frazer Fund.....	3,500 00	ial	2,000 00
Frisbie, Sarah M.....	1,000 00	Wickens, George.....	500 00
Giddings, Mrs. Lovina...	600 00	Woods, John.....	1,922 19
Glover, Henry R.....	5,000 00	Woolverton, Geo. A....	5,000 00
Ham, Wm.....	100 00	†—————	2,000 00
Howard, Harry H.....	100 00		
Hoyt, Joseph B.....	25,000 00		
John, Lizzie J., Memorial	1,000 00		
			\$234,723 22

FOR SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION.

Bostwick, J. A.....	\$6,000 00	Indian University.....	1,626 02
Bradford, S. S.....	1,000 00	Jackson College.....	476 25
Colby, Emily S.....	200 00	Richmond Theo. Sem.:	
Marston, S. W.....	1,000 00	Colby, Emily S.....	500 00
Endowment of Schools, viz.:		Hoyt, J. B.....	25,000 00
Atlanta Baptist College	5 00	Library Fund.....	3,220 50
Cook, Josiah W.....	17,148 75	Reed, Susan C.,	
Ripley, Mrs. A. O...	1,000 00	Scholarship	1,000 00
Benedict College.....	57,479 88	Rockefeller, J. D....	25,000 00

Smith, S. F.....	1,000 00	Spelman Seminary:	
Tolman, Lydia S....	1,400 00	Endowment	196 50
Union Professorship	7,238 41	Monroe, Mary E....	5,000 00
Waterhouse, C. W..	1,000 00	†—————	800 00
Roger Williams Univ.:		Wayland Seminary:	
Endowment	3,850 96	Endowment	19,040 33
Champney, Sarah H.	500 00	Gray, M. M.....	2,000 00
†—————	200 00	Wayland, Eliz. A...	150 00
Shaw University:		†—————	1,500 00
Endowment	25,588 02		
Buss, Harriet M....	350 00		
Leonard, Judson W.	5,000 00		
			<u>\$215,470 62</u>

FOR CHURCH-EDIFICE WORK.

Bostwick, J. A.....	\$6,000 00
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FOR MISCELLANEOUS PURPOSES.

Smart, John.....	\$1,000	
Whiting, Martha.....	1,000	\$2,000 00
Total of Permanent Trust Funds.....		<u>\$458,193 84</u>
Amount charged to profit and loss.....		12,000 00
		<u>\$446,193 84</u>
Amount reported last year.....	\$402,091 99	

Increase, as follows:

Endowment of Atlanta College....	\$17,148 75	
“ “ Benedict College...	542 28	
“ “ Richmond Th. Sem.	10 00	
“ “ Spelman Seminary..	176 50	
“ “ Wayland Seminary..	1,000 00	
Linch, Jarret.....	10,647 44	
Profit on sale of stock, formerly received from Austin Merrick....	26,576 88	
	<u>\$56,101 85</u>	
Decrease, amount charged to Profit and Loss	12,000 00	44,101 85
Total Fund, April 1, 1899.....		<u>\$446,193 84</u>

The above funds are invested as follows:

First Mortgages on Real Estate in New York and Brooklyn	\$268,885 33	
Mortgages elsewhere	41,300 00	
Railroad Bonds	56,280 00	
Stocks	21,000 00	
Railroad Bonds and Stock, invested by donors.....	8,300 00	
Bank and other Stock and Bonds, invested by donors	14,525 00	
Cash in Treasury.....	35,903 51	
		<u>\$446,193 84</u>

II.—CONDITIONAL AND ANNUITY FUNDS.

1st. *Annuity Funds*.—Donations, upon which semi-annual annuities are paid during life, either to the donor, or to such person or object as the donor may designate.

2d. *Conditional Funds*.—Donations held temporarily, in trust, and subject to the conditions imposed by the donors.

Amount reported April 1, 1898.....	\$428,110 41
Added during the year (including profit on sale of stock)...	65,225 15
	<u>\$493,335 56</u>

Transferred to General Fund during the year by death of annuitants, and profit on sale of stock.	\$93,952 81	
Transferred to General Fund during the year by death of annuitants, designated for Virginia Union University.....	20,000 00	
Transferred to Permanent Trust Fund.....	18,148 75	
Transferred to Atlanta Seminary.....	10,263 25	142,364 81
		<u>\$350,970 75</u>
Total Fund, April 1, 1899.....		77,139 66
Net decrease		

These Funds are invested as follows, viz.:

First Mortgages on Real Estate in New York City and Brooklyn, and cash in depositories.....	\$198,317 90	
Mortgages elsewhere	74,520 00	
Real Estate and Notes.....	37,054 56	
Stocks	1,500 00	
Bank and other Stock invested by donors.....	2,563 75	
Bonds invested by donors.....	9,900 00	
Suspense Account	11,212 21	
Cash in Treasury.....	15,902 33	<u>\$350,970 75</u>

The following list gives the names of donors now living who have contributed to these funds:

ANNUITY FUNDS.

Allen, Jonathan L.....	\$6,317 10	Hoff, Mary Augusta....	1,000 00
Allen, Laura M.....	1,000 00	Homan, Miss Sarah A...	1,274 73
Ambler, Mrs. A. T.....	12,300 00	Howe, William.....	3,000 00
Andrews, Mrs. Perses...	500 00	Huff, Miss Elizabeth....	500 00
Ashley, Miss L. M.....	400 00	Huntley, William E....	9,000 00
Barton, Mrs. Belinda....	2,002 90	Hurlin, Rev. William....	500 00
Bell, Miss Minerva.....	500 00	Jones, Mrs. J. N.....	2,500 00
Blake, Mrs. Fannie R...	1,000 00	Kelsay, Miss D. Eliza...	100 00
Brett, Mrs. Celia L.....	1,700 00	Kendrick, Mrs. D. S....	500 00
Boardman, Mrs. M. O....	500 00	Kennard, Miss H. C....	1,000 00
Boynton, Mrs. H. D.....	486 10	Kingsley, C. W.....	25,000 00
Brown, Mrs. Lura K....	1,000 00	Larnill, Nancy Q.....	83 47
Brown, Mrs. Samuel N..	1,000 00	Leach, Mrs. M. D.....	1,000 00
Capes, Jane.....	1,000 00	Merrifield, Mrs. J. H....	100 00
Carr, Miss Ann Alila....	500 00	Messenger, Harriet B...	600 00
Chamberlin, W. D.....	1,000 00	Millard, O. H.....	1,000 00
Chilson, Gardner.....	26,666 66	Mitchell, Mrs. J. M.....	200 00
Coolidge, Anna M. J....	1,000 00	Nichols, Charles H.....	3,800 00
Corey, Charles H.....	500 00	Nye, Mrs. J. E.....	1,000 00
Crawford, Mrs. A. B....	40 00	Onderdonk, Miss H. W..	18,500 00
Crosby, Mrs. Sarah Ford	250 00	Parker, Miss Laura.....	200 00
Crowell, Mrs. N. E.....	500 00	Parmly, Miss M. E.....	200 00
Darrow, Mrs. H. E.....	55 50	Pettit, Mrs. Curtis.....	200 00
Davis, Mrs. B. M.....	500 00	Phillips, Mrs. Lydia B..	200 00
Davis, Ely.....	7,000 00	Pickford, Mrs. A. M....	5,000 00
Durban, Mrs. B. J.....	1,500 00	Pisor, Margaret.....	2,015 00
Durfee, J. H.....	2,000 00	Pratt, William C.....	500 00
Dyer, Mrs. Lucy D.....	1,000 00	Proctor, Joel.....	13,000 00
Edwards, P. M.....	1,000 00	Richardson, Mrs. H. V..	5,000 00
Erwin, Mrs. Keziah....	100 00	Riggs, D. W.....	1,500 00
Fernald, Mrs. E. H.....	2,500 00	Rigley, Mrs. Eliza.....	2,000 00
Fish, Mrs. Ada B.....	3,000 00	Robb, Joseph.....	500 00
Fiske, Miss Grace.....	1,000 00	Rogers, Alexander W...	4,000 00
Foster, Mrs. M. S.....	5,000 00	Root, John A.....	600 00
Gates, Marcius A.....	2,000 00	Savage, Eleazer.....	2,000 00
Gould, Julia N.....	250 00	Savage, Morgan.....	5,000 00
Grow, Rev. W. B.....	100 00	Seeley, Rev. J. V. K....	550 00
Hale, David.....	5,000 00	Shepardson, D.....	1,000 00
Haley, Mrs. A. M.....	2,519 40	Shepardson, Mrs. E. S..	2,000 00
Hall, Mrs. Ann E.....	1,600 00	Sheridan, Rev. William..	1,000 00
Hall, Mrs. Lucetta.....	400 00	Simmons, J. B.....	2,538 89
Harbig, Mrs. Mary E....	1,000 00	*Skaats, Mrs. Eliza....	1,500 00
Hardin, Mrs. Florence J.	100 00	Smith, Mrs. J. L.....	510 00
Harris, Mrs. Mary D....	1,000 00	Spring, Rev. M. B.....	3,000 00
Hawkins, William.....	12,000 00	Springsted, Mason.....	800 00
Henderson, Mrs. R.....	1,000 00	Stoddard, Rev. D. H....	1,000 00
Henrich, A.....	2,000 00	Swan, Edward P.....	5,860 00
Herrick, Mrs. M. B....	300 00	Taft, Mrs. A. B.....	1,600 00
Hitchcock, Titus L.....	1,000 00	Thompson, Miss J. E....	600 00

Thomson, Anne.....	500 00	† ——— ———.....	10,000 00
Tirrell, Jesse.....	5,000 00	† ——— ———.....	2,000 00
Train, Mrs. C. W.....	2,000 00	† ——— ———.....	500 00
Troyer, William.....	500 00	† ——— ———.....	500 00
Wassell, Mrs. Marv B..	2,000 00	† ——— ———.....	2,500 00
Watts, Henry.....	1,000 00	† ——— ———.....	400 00
West, Mrs. N. K.....	50 00	† ——— ———.....	5,000 00
White, David.....	1,000 00	† ——— ———.....	3,500 00
White, Mrs. Ellen M....	500 00	† ——— ———.....	5,500 00
Willard, Mrs. S. A.....	500 00	† ——— ———.....	400 00
Willett, Miss H. S.....	1,750 00	† ——— ———.....	1,000 00
Williams, John.....	7,000 00	† ——— ———.....	6,000 00
Wolcott, Mrs. M. L.....	100 00	† ——— ———.....	500 00
Woolsey, Mrs. Lucy T..	400 00	† ——— ———.....	500 00
† ——— ———.....	2,000 00	† ——— ———.....	1,000 00
† ——— ———.....	8,000 00	† ——— ———.....	5,000 00
† ——— ———.....	1,000 00	† ——— ———.....	1,000 00
† ——— ———.....	100 00	† ——— ———.....	500 00
† ——— ———.....	1,175 00	† ——— ———.....	4,612 50
† ——— ———.....	2,000 00	† ——— ———.....	1,800 00
† ——— ———.....	1,000 00	† ——— ———.....	1,400 00
† ——— ———.....	4,600 00	† ——— ———.....	300 00
† ——— ———.....	253 13	† ——— ———.....	2,000 00
† ——— ———.....	7,000 00	† ——— ———.....	884 00

CONDITIONAL FUNDS.

† ——— ———.....	1,975 00	† ——— ———.....	1,000 00
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III.—CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT INVESTMENT FUND.

Amount reported last year.....	\$141,713 90
Added during the year.....	26,576 88
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	\$168,290 78
Transferred to Church-Edifice Benevolent Fund.....	14,555 12
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	\$153,735 66

Invested as follows, viz.:

First Mortgages on Real Estate in New York and Brooklyn	\$83,667 57
Railroad and other Stocks and Bonds.....	34,000 00
Real Estate	20,000 00
Notes	4,950 00
Cash in Treasury.....	11,118 09
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	\$153,735 66

* Two-thirds of this amount is held in trust, to be equally divided between the American Baptist Missionary Union and the American and Foreign Bible Society.

† Donors who do not wish their names made public.

IV.—CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND.

Amount of Outstanding Loans.....	\$150,573 84
Cash in Treasury.....	2,999 27
Total Fund.....	\$153,573 11
Amount reported last year.....	\$150,896 70
Receipts—Interest, contributions, and transfers.....	7,373 38
	\$158,270 08
Expenditures—Incidental Expenses	\$3,355 64
Annuities	756 00
Interest	532 83
Charged to Profit and Loss.....	52 50
	4,696 97
Present Fund, April 1, 1899.....	\$153,573 11

V.—REAL ESTATE.

School property, etc.:		
Wayland Seminary, Washington, D. C.,	Estimated Value,	\$100,000 00
Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.,	“ “	74,000 00
Atlanta College, Atlanta, Ga.,	“ “	60,000 00
Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.,	“ “	165,000 00
Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.,	“ “	130,000 00
Jackson College, Jackson, Miss.,	“ “	35,000 00
Bishop College, Marshall, Tex.,	“ “	94,000 00
Florida Institute, Live Oak, Fla.,	“ “	7,000 00
Mission Ground and Building, Tahlequah, I. T.,	“ “	5,000 00
Atoka Academy Property, Atoka, I. T.,	“ “	5,000 00
Chinese Mission Headquarters, San Fran., Cal.,	“ “	22,000 00
Mission Headquarters and Ch., City of Mexico,	“ “	26,000 00
Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.,	“ “	100,000 00
		\$823,000 00

VI.—MISCELLANEOUS.*

For General Purposes:

Notes	\$1,500 00
Bonds	1,000 00
Stock	4,254 23
Mortgages	22,969 97
Real Estate	12,000 00
	\$41,724 20

* The assets in Class VI. were given to the Society; their value is estimated.

For Church Edifice Work:

Railroad Bonds.....	\$4,000 00
Stock	5,000 00
Real Estate	40,500 00
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	\$49,500 00

FRANK R. HATHAWAY, *Treasurer.*

111 Fifth Avenue, New York, April 1, 1899.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

This certifies that we have carefully examined the accompanying accounts of the Treasurer, and have compared the entries with the vouchers connected therewith, and find the same correct.

We have also examined the various Trust Funds and evidences of property belonging to the Society, and find them to agree with the entries in the Treasurer's books.

Signed,

LEONARD F. REQUA, }
EDGAR S. MARSTON, } *Auditors.*

NEW YORK, April 29, 1899.

SUMMARY OF ASSETS.

General Fund.....	\$864,724 20
Permanent Trust Fund.....	410,290 33
Conditional and Annuity Funds.....	335,068 42
Church Edifice Benevolent Trust Fund.....	142,617 57
Church Edifice Gift Fund.....	49,500 00
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	\$1,802,200 52

SUMMARY OF CASH IN TREASURY.

General Fund, Designated.....	\$ 5,249 34
“ “ Undesignated	640 95
Permanent Trust Fund.....	35,903 51
Conditional and Annuity Fund.....	15,902 33
Church Edifice Benevolent Trust Fund.....	11,118 09
Church Edifice Gift Fund.....	9,470 63
Church Edifice Loan Fund.....	2,999 27
Emergency Fund.....	35,000 00
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	\$116,284 12

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.			
Contributions for General Purposes.. . . .	\$205,407 39		
" " Schools and Buildings.	30,183 42		
Legacies for General Purposes.....	33,952 54		
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Annuity Funds Released by Death of Donor.....	269,543 35		
Annuity Funds, Profit on Sale of Stock.....	109,752 81		
	4,200 00		
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Income from Invested Funds		\$383,496 16	
" Real Estate.....		37,551 81	
Home Mission Monthly.....		2,520 23	
Jubilee Volume.....		3,288 42	
Surplus from Schools.....		3 75	
Church Edifice Funds for Share of Expenses of Adminis- tration.....		809 18	
Joint Debt Funds.....		5,116 55	
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Total Receipts.....		\$433,986 11	
Cash in Treasury, April 1st, 1898.....		9,248 57	
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			\$443,234 68
EXPENDITURES.			
Salaries of Missionaries.....		\$187,447 37	
" " Principals and Teachers in Schools.....	85,371 85		
School Buildings, Purchase of Land, and Insurance.....	18,585 58		
General Expenses of Schools, Including Designated Funds Paid to Schools.....	6,870 47		
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Salaries and Expenses of Officers and Clerks		110,827 90	
" " " General Superintendents.....		14,594 03	
" " " District Secretaries.....		10,814 18	
General Expenses, Including Publication.....		23,857 14	
Annuities.....		17,586 46	
Miscellaneous Expenses.....		21,299 38	
Debt of the Society, April 1st, 1898.....		2,071 63	
		13,846 30	
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Total Expenditures.....		\$402,344 39	
Cash, Awaiting Investment.....		\$35,000 00	
Cash in Treasury, Designated.....	5,249 34		
" " Undesignated.....	640 95		
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		5,890 29	
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			\$443,234 68

LEGACIES

RECEIVED FROM APRIL 1, 1898, TO MARCH 31, 1899.

MAINE.

<i>East Jefferson.</i> —Estate of Albert Richardson.....	\$1,024 26
<i>Nashua.</i> —Estate of Mary A. Randall.....	100 00
<i>Newport.</i> —Estate of Mrs. Lurinda H. Redington.....	150 00
<i>North Vassalboro.</i> —Estate of Mrs. Abigail White.....	1,500 00

VERMONT.

<i>Brandon.</i> —Estate of Sarah E. Powers.....	100 00
<i>Fairfax.</i> —Estate of David Rowley, Interest.....	410 00
<i>Fairfax.</i> —Estate of J. M. Hotchkiss.....	16 00

MASSACHUSETTS.

<i>Agawam.</i> —Estate of Mary Ann Smith.....	285 60
<i>Boston.</i> —Estate of John Woods, Interest.....	16 11
<i>Boston.</i> —Estate of Mary Jane Hobart, \$500, for F. F.....	1,829 32
<i>Bernardston.</i> —Estate of Mary P. Humphries.....	200 00
<i>Cambridgeport.</i> —Estate of Josiah W. Cook.....	475 00
<i>Chelsea.</i> —Estate of John C. Peak.....	1,000 00
<i>Chelsea.</i> —Estate of Eustice C. Fitz.....	10,000 00
<i>Chicopee Falls.</i> —Estate of Miss Emma P. Chapin.....	50 00
<i>Danversport.</i> —Estate of Benjamin Porter, Interest.....	48 94
<i>Newburyport.</i> —Estate of Mary Elwell.....	23 15
<i>Salem.</i> —Estate of Rev. James H. Seaver.....	300 00
<i>Southbridge.</i> —Estate of John Edwards, Interest.....	54 00
<i>Southbridge.</i> —Estate of John Woods.....	16 11
<i>South Gardner.</i> —Estate of Susanna Stone.....	37 00
<i>Wakefield.</i> —Estate of Hiram Sweetser.....	1,000 00
<i>Whitman.</i> —Estate of Lucinda A. Fullerton.....	1,700 00
<i>Woburn.</i> —Estate of Peter Fiske.....	263 04

RHODE ISLAND.

<i>Providence.</i> —Estate of H. Jackson, D.D., Interest.....	23 44
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CONNECTICUT.

<i>Groton.</i> —Estate of Ebenezer Morgan, for C. E. F.....	1,000.00
<i>Hartford.</i> —Estate of George E. Martin.....	2,993 75
<i>Niantic.</i> —Estate of Amanda E. Clark.....	734 63
<i>Putnam.</i> —Estate of Mary P. Gates.....	79 56
<i>Putnam.</i> —Estate of Joanna Barrett.....	44 44
<i>Quaker Hills.</i> —Estate of Polly Browning, per 2d ch., Water-	
<i>Stamford.</i> —Estate of Nancy Smith, Interest.....	16 66
ford	18 00

NEW YORK.

<i>Brooklyn.</i> —Estate of Rev. Henry Bromley.....	300 00
<i>Brooklyn.</i> —Estate of Joseph Wild, Interest.....	1,675 00
<i>Chautauqua.</i> —Estate of Louisa A. Trask.....	100 00
<i>Frankfort.</i> —Estate of Horace J. Baldwin.....	250 00
<i>Groton.</i> —Estate of Ellen D. Peck.....	500 00
<i>Kingston.</i> —Estate of Dianthe Dermont.....	28 57
<i>Maine.</i> —Estate of Lydia M. Gates.....	12 25
<i>Manchester.</i> —Estate of Polly Mitchell, Interest.....	19 00
<i>New York City.</i> —Estate of C. C. Crane, Sr.....	200 00
<i>Newport.</i> —Estate of Mrs. Ann Gook.....	100 00
<i>Sandy Hill.</i> —Estate of Lucy D. Smalley.....	124 86
<i>Truxton.</i> —Estate of Edward Negus, for F. F.....	1,500 00

NEW JERSEY.

<i>Bridgeton.</i> —Estate of John H. Flanagan.....	500 00
<i>Bridgeton.</i> —Estate of Narcissa B. Sleeper.....	18 70
<i>Burlington.</i> —Estate of Ann S. Price, Interest.....	75 00

PENNSYLVANIA.

<i>Peters Creek.</i> —Estate of Ann S. Benson.....	44 50
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WEST VIRGINIA.

<i>Petroleum.</i> —Estate of Mrs. Sarah Carder.....	76 57
<i>Wheeling.</i> —Estate of Evalina Warner.....	97 50

OHIO.

<i>Cleveland.</i> —Estate of R. P. Myers, per 1st Church.....	15 00
<i>Fredericktown.</i> —Estate of Louisa J. Bethel.....	700 00
<i>Wooster.</i> —Estate of Nancy Q. Larnill.....	13 74

MICHIGAN.

Grand Rapids.—Estate of Isaac Butterfield..... 1,000 00

WISCONSIN.

Janesville.—Estate of James B. Crosby..... 1,282 02
Waukesha.—Estate of Mary W. Puffer..... 50 00

ILLINOIS.

Carpentersville.—Estate of Mrs. Anna Shaw Ellison..... 100 00
El Paso.—Estate of David Evans..... 100 00
Sublette.—Estate of Ellen H. Trowbridge..... 259 57
Warner.—Estate of Eleria R. Miller..... 139 10

IOWA.

Mount Ayr.—Estate of William Dunlap..... 142 15

INDIANA.

Raritan.—Estate of William Caldwell..... 20 00

Total \$34,952 54

FOR ACCOUNT OF PERMANENT TRUST FUND.

Cambridgeport, Mass.—Estate of Josiah W. Cook..... 475 00
Holyoke.—Profit on sale of stock, received from Estate of
Austin Merrick..... 26,576 88
Monongalia Co., W. Va.—Estate of Jarret Linch..... 10,647 44

Total \$37,224 32

FOR ACCOUNT OF CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT INVEST-
MENT FUND.

Holyoke, Mass.—Profit on sale of stock received from
Estate of Austin Merrick..... \$26,576 88

Grand total..... \$99,288 82

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No reports received

NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELDS OF LABOUR										CHURCHES ORGANIZED.					RENEWAL CENTR- ALITY.		
	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Out- stations supplied.	Sermons Preached.	Prayer and Other Meetings Held.	Families or Persons Religiously Visited.	Bibles and Testa- ments Distributed.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	By Baptism.	By Letter or Experience.	Members.	Churches Organized.	Churches Organized.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Sunday-Schools Or- ganized.	Attendance at Sun- day-Schools.	Renewal Centri- ality.	Renewal Centri- ality.	Renewal Centri- ality.
Andrew P. Ekman.....	Sweden, New York City.....	58	1	127	49	355	100	1000	14	10	309	.....	2	.....	163	9548	47	.....
John Bjark.....	Sweden, Jamestown.....	58	2	180	63	220	1	597	3	8	97	.....	.....	.....	67	438	32	.....
Yoshimiki Hiroshi.....	Japanese, Brooklyn.....	52	2	78	13	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miss J. E. Magnuson.....	Italian Mission of Judson Me- morial Church, New York City.	8	16	8	40	25	.....	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....
F. M. Babcock.....	Superintendent Chinese Mission, New York City.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Charles Winter.....	Superintendent Chinese Mission, New York City.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fung Yuet Mow.....	Pastor Chinese Mission, New York City.....	56	158	1746	611	1	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1777	245	67	.....
Tong Giew.....	Assistant Chinese Mission, New York City.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chinn Loon.....	Assistant Chinese Mission, New York City.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Neham Haden.....	Sweden, Brooklyn.....	4	8	18	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57	.....	.....
NEW JERSEY.																		
George A. Schulte.....	General Superintendent of Ger- man Missions.....	52	116	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. C. Baun.....	German, Pilgrim Church Jersey City.....	52	210	86	415	12	2300	5	2	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	134	342	29	.....
Frederick Knorr.....	German, First Church, Hoboken.....	52	150	204	675	1	2000	7	.....	81	.....	.....	.....	.....	105	24	00	.....
Ernst H. Schmidt.....	German, Passaic.....	52	142	718	304	.....	484	5	5	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	91	79	91	.....
Ludwig Rabe.....	German, Town of Union.....	52	78	70	268	.....	571	.....	.....	79	.....	.....	.....	.....	224	35	00	.....
William Papenhansen.....	German, Town of Union.....	17	66	34	184	.....	575	.....	.....	84	.....	.....	.....	.....	219	31	80	.....
J. P. Brunner.....	German, Paterson.....	13	39	20	200	.....	750	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. M. Hoeftlin.....	German, Egg Harbor.....	52	113	159	414	.....	1333	4	.....	39	.....	.....	.....	.....	74	92	26	.....
E. H. Otto.....	German, Jamesburg.....	39	78	75	480	.....	364	4	.....	96	.....	.....	.....	.....	57	55	51	.....
William Kobler.....	Sweden, Arlington.....	26	83	90	96	.....	175	.....	.....	86	.....	.....	.....	.....	94	110	12	.....
J. V. Valberg.....	Sweden, Dover.....	21	95	55	91	.....	200	.....	.....	82	.....	.....	.....	.....	84	186	04	.....
O. J. Peterson.....	Sweden, Newark.....	52	150	200	252	.....	.....	.....	.....	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	48	150	00	.....
Angelo di Domenico.....	Italian, Newark.....	52	109	26	547	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	208	.....	.....	.....
J. de Hart.....	Hollanders, Paterson.....	30	4	118	300	15	600	28	105	50

1 No reports received.

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PENNSYLVANIA.																
Ethan B. Palmer, D.D., District Secretary, Philadelphia																
F. W. Becker.....	52	2	128	64	275	8	1197	3	6	57	4	70	59	75
Albert Linder.....	53	1	26	27	50	1000	3	26	1	90	34	30
John P. Westberg.....	54
Germania, Pennsylvania.....	55
Sweden, Pennsylvania.....	56
New York and Eastern Ohio.....	57
Sweden, Wisconsin.....	58	6	200	135	475	2411	51	131	00
Sweden, Philadelphia.....	59	4	203	155	277	4	1600	3	8	79	2	40	216	00
A. A. Hanson.....	60
Sweden, McKeenport.....	61	3	170	133	247	213	637	83
John Wallace.....	62
Wynning Valley.....	63
DELAWARE.																
Richard B. Cook.....	64
S. B. Overton.....	65	1	118	26	80
John T. Plinty.....	66	2	129	6	347
Henry C. Jones.....	67	1	201	109	179
Victor Sandell.....	68	1	126	48	565
Sweden, Wilmington.....	69	1	135	126	377	5	100	8	13	47
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.																
N. C. Naylor.....	70	1	90	80	478
George Rice Hovey, Pres.....	71
Wayland Seminary, Washington.....	72
Wayland Seminary, Washington.....	73
Wayland Seminary, Washington.....	74
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Wayland Seminary, Washington.....	98
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Wayland Seminary, Washington.....	100

* Teachers

NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELDS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OUT- STATIONS SUPPLIED.											SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYER AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BRIDES AND TESTA- MENTS DISTRIBUTED.	FACTS OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	BY BAPTISM.	BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CHURCH REOPENED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS OR GAMIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUN- DAY SCHOOLS.	BENEVOLENT CONTRI- BUTIONS.	
		WEEKS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OUT- STATIONS SUPPLIED.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYER AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BRIDES AND TESTA- MENTS DISTRIBUTED.	FACTS OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	BY BAPTISM.	BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.															CHURCH REOPENED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS OR GAMIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUN- DAY SCHOOLS.	BENEVOLENT CONTRI- BUTIONS.
NORTH CAROLINA.																											
Belle L. Pettigrew.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.	35	.....	3	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Irene E. Tenn.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.	9	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roger C. Simmons.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
N. H. Pius.....	Bible and Normal Inst., Memphis..	35	.....	27	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
NORTH CAROLINA.																											
A. Whitted.....	Colored, General Missionary.....	52	.....	96	46	433	111	1680	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
C. C. Somerville.....	Colored, Dist. Missionary, East....	52	.....	124	101	308	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. Vincent.....	Colored, Dist. Missionary, Central..	52	.....	66	80	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
F. Mayo.....	Colored, Dist. Missionary, West....	52	.....	87	62	88	10	8950	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
C. F. McGee, Pres.....	Shaw University, Raleigh.....	52	.....	.....	7	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
N. F. Roberts.....	Shaw University, Raleigh.....	35	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
N. C. Bruce.....	Shaw University, Raleigh.....	35	.....	.....	6	158	all	615	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
M. D. Bowen.....	Shaw University, Raleigh.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
C. W. Jewett.....	Shaw University, Raleigh.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. W. Pegues.....	Shaw University, Raleigh.....	35	.....	9	.....	76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ida J. Brown.....	Shaw University, Raleigh.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lavinia A. Haywood.....	Shaw University, Raleigh.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Charlotte Murray.....	Shaw University, Raleigh.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gibbert Tolman.....	Shaw University, Raleigh.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
C. S. Brown, Pres.....	Waters Normal Inst., Winton.....	52	.....	64	56	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cora B. Person.....	Waters Normal Inst., Winton.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. C. S. Brown.....	Waters Normal Inst., Winton.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Linnie B. Edmonson.....	Waters Normal Inst., Winton.....	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
SOUTH CAROLINA.																											
H. M. Railroad.....	Colored, General Missionary.....	45	.....	145	52	36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. V. Gassaway.....	Colored, District Missionary.....	36	.....	62	46	115	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. W. Byrnes.....	Colored, District Missionary.....	52	.....	125	35	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John R. Wilson.....	Missionary Work.....	17	.....	47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. C. Osborn, D.D., Pres.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	52	.....	32	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. E. Chester.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

* Teachers.

Names of Mission- aries, Teachers, &c.	Fields of Labor.	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Out- stations Supplied.	Sermons Preached.	Prayers and Other Meetings Held.	Families or Persons Religiously Visited.	Bibles and Testa- ments List Distrib- uted.	By Baptism. By Letter or Experience.	Number of Church Members.	Churches Organized.	Church Leaders Baptized.	Number of Sunday- Schools.	Sunday Schools Or- ganized.	Attendance at Sun- day Schools.	Beneficent Contri- butions.
George S. Hale, Pres.	Atlanta Baptist College	52	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. E. Holmes	Atlanta Baptist College	43	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
John W. Hubert	Atlanta Baptist College	9	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
C. Smith	Atlanta Baptist College	13	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. Marshall	Atlanta Baptist College	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
John M. McCreary	Atlanta Baptist College	15	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mrs. M. J. Hyde	Atlanta Baptist College	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. B. Tinsdell	Atlanta Baptist College	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
John Washington	American Institute	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. Brown, Prin	Jeruel Academy, Athens	52	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Virginia C. Jackson	Jeruel Academy, Athens	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
David M. Richardson	Jeruel Academy, Athens	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Martha A. Williams	Jeruel Academy, Athens	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
FLORIDA															
W. W. Collier, Prin	Florida Baptist Academy	52	...	32	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Miss S. A. Blocker	Florida Baptist Academy	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
G. P. McKinney	Florida Institute, Live Oak	52	...	70	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
L. C. Jones	Florida Institute, Live Oak	15	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Francis W. Wingfield	Florida Institute, Live Oak	35	...	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
ALABAMA															
C. O. Booth	Colored, District Missionary	39	...	78	43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
R. Pettibard	Colored, District Missionary	37	...	69	45	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. C. Perkins, Pres.	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma	52	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
J. Palmer	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma	9	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. W. Wagoner	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
T. Coleman	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma	35	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. W. Knight	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma	35
Ruth Haldrum	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma	35

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OHIO.																		
S. A. Nelson.....	First Swede Church, Cleveland	52	2	137	59	177	1	3150	9	1	71	1	1	1	1	1	71	\$200 00
W. F. Rabel.....	German, Toledo.....	52	2	104	124	97	29	5250	1	1	33	1	1	1	1	1	144	120 00
Ludwig Von Lany.....	German, Maadison.....	13	2	26	26	50	1	60	1	1	50	1	1	1	1	1	44	40 00
Henry Sellhorn.....	German, Canton and Massillon	26	2	76	41	156	2	550	4	3	56	1	1	1	1	1	76	79 58
F. P. Kruse.....	German, Mission of First Church, Cleveland.....	39	4	140	71	280	5	894	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	291	220 60
MICHIGAN.																		
E. H. E. Jamieson, D D	District Secretary, Lake District	52	1	66	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. E. G. Wheeler	Special Agent.	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Henry Becker.....	German, Third Church, Detroit.....	50	1	113	83	310	17	550	3	3	105	1	1	1	1	1	13	301 65
George Bornschlagel.....	German, Alpena.....	50	1	165	108	330	7	2250	1	1	46	1	1	1	1	1	47	85 00
J. J. Berger.....	German, Montague.....	22	1	47	46	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	58	20 25

* Teachers.

J. E. Siring	Calumet	58	69	24	300	1	4	53	1	174	65	13
W. H. Berney	Hancock	58	115	49	581	1	2400	1	5	134	89	49
W. H. Mills	Immanuel Church, Iron Mountain	43	8	50	487	1	1	39	1	98	120	32
R. W. Purnan	Calvary Church, Ishpeming	13	103	60	518	1	1	49	1	172	97	64
C. A. Alden	Ledington	13	40	94	50	130	1	74	1	68	20	62
C. H. Bolvig	Danes and Norwegians, General Missionary	52	166	65	326	17	795	4	1	3	4	00
R. A. Arlander	Swedish Conference	17	98	100	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
R. A. Chat	Sweden, Grand Rapids	17	12	62	326	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
John Hedson	Sweden, Daguerre	17	12	62	326	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
S. E. Nelson	Sweden, Marquette	50	8	53	120	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Harold Nelson	Sweden, Ironwood	50	103	63	120	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
C. A. Anderson	Sweden, Norway	50	179	44	125	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
INDIANA.												
S. C. Palmer	District Secretary, Wabash District	58	74	90	304	103	1	1	1	1	1	1
E. W. Olson	Sweden, La Porte	52	126	90	323	13	1877	1	2	35	43	34
August Pastor	German, Evansville	39	160	49	661	1	14759	1	1	87	86	43
ILLINOIS.												
J. E. Thomas, D.D.	District Secretary, Chicago District	58	97	130	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H. C. Leuzer	Chicago, Wabasha Avenue Church, Chicago	43	8	43	89	1466	1	1	1	1	1	1
Valentin Portel	German, Humboldt Park, Chicago	43	185	28	816	5	17	1	1	1	1	1
Jacob Heifer	German, Third Church, Chicago	43	111	28	247	5	4	1	1	1	1	1
Henry W. Enckle	German, Quincy	52	245	64	837	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
August Transchel	German, Quincy	13	44	17	85	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Marin Donike	German, Bloomington	13	50	17	70	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
C. J. Bender	German, Green Garden and Monce	13	23	15	120	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
August Pastor	German, Pekin	13	41	15	202	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
August Herfinger	German, Third Church, Chicago	13	19	16	70	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
John D. Nylis	Sweden, Morris	52	14	98	236	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
A. Carlson	Sweden, Austin	52	82	40	118	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ernest Fallgren	Sweden, Salem Church, Chicago	52	207	63	344	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
C. L. Wallman	Sweden, Waukegan	13	56	33	72	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Carl Ingren	Sweden, Waukegan	13	36	12	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
C. G. Sten	Sweden, DeKalb	39	102	60	155	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
V. E. Hedberg	Sweden, Berwyn	50	172	66	375	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bennett Erickson	Sweden, Humboldt Park, Chicago	22	75	27	176	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
L. J. Olson	Sweden, Humboldt Park, Chicago	22	98	56	218	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES, TRAVELERS, &c.	FIELDS OF LABOR	WORKS OF LABOR.										ADDED TO CHURCH					CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CHURCH OFFICERS	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS ORGANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY-SCHOOLS	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.
		WEEKS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OUT-POSTS SUPPLIED.	PERSONS HEALED.	PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIAR WITH PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	HILLS AND DISTRICTS.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	BY BAPTISM.	BY LETTERS OR OTHERWISE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.											
O. C. Widen.	Swedes, Waukegan.	13		49	92	69	25	3800	3	1	54	69	3	1	54	1	1	1	117	349 41	48 25	
J. A. Ohm.	Scandinavians, Pligim (church, Chicago).	48	1	135	66	409	25	3800	3	1	129	409	3	1	129	1	1	1	117	349 41	48 25	
And. Wester.	Swedes, Galesburg.	52	5	204	131	389	131	150	2	4	67	389	2	4	67	1	3	3	102	53 00	102 53 00	
J. E. Klingberg.	Scandinavians, Tabernacle (church, Chicago).	44		155	60	619	6	850	4	5	62	619	4	5	62	1	1	1	128	378 75	128 378 75	
John Kejr.	Holmians, Chicago.	61	2	232	61	510	00	3000	11	1	91	510	11	1	91	1	1	1	270	379 22	270 379 22	
J. O. Bentall.	French, St. Anne.	52	2	158	25	335	11	3000	8	5	65	335	8	5	65	1	1	1	110	3 00	110 3 00	
T. V. Jakowski.	Polish, Chicago.	35	4	217	94	665	196	9790	16	7	73	665	16	7	73	1	1	1	93	10 00	93 10 00	
J. J. Lucas.	Hollanders, Chicago.	34		100	8	143	2	900	1	1	6	143	1	1	6	1	1	1	112	214 71	112 214 71	
Lee Tsai Leung.	Chinese, Chicago.	57	1	156	54	268	8	172	1	1	1	268	1	1	1	1	1	1	112	214 71	112 214 71	
Frederick Huhns.	Latvian, Chicago.	13	1	40	14	612	10	1500	3	1	1	612	3	1	1	1	1	1	386	161 45	386 161 45	
R. E. Manning.	Supt. of Missions, Chicago.	26	1	54	30	506	11	4000	9	1	171	506	9	1	171	1	1	1	138	35 74	138 35 74	
W. W. Dewey.	Belgian (church, Chicago).	26	1	102	187	2144	150	7900	1	3	63	2144	1	3	63	1	1	1	138	35 74	138 35 74	
T. L. Smith.	Central (church, Chicago).	26	1	102	187	2144	150	7900	1	3	63	2144	1	3	63	1	1	1	138	35 74	138 35 74	
WISCONSIN.																						
D. W. Hulbert.	General Missionary.	13		148	20	8	12	2100	1	1	1	8	1	1	1	5	1	1	159	82	159 82	
N. F. Clark.	District Missionary East.	52		271	63	661	12	2100	8	3	1	661	8	3	1	1	1	1	385	88	385 88	
M. A. Packer.	District Missionary, Northwest.	26	1	110	26	286	3	380	2	1	1	286	2	1	1	1	1	1	112	02	112 02	
M. A. Packer.	Vermont.	26	1	64	33	400	10	200	1	4	128	400	1	4	128	1	7	7	293	128 24	293 128 24	
F. C. R. Jackson.	Waukegan.	22	2	50	54	300	5	200	2	2	85	300	2	2	85	1	3	3	215	132 83	215 132 83	
J. W. Calhoun.	Sheboygan.	26	3	72	52	1601	11	50	6	3	127	1601	6	3	127	1	1	1	139	113 90	139 113 90	
Enoch Pickering.	Merrill.	52	1	120	70	438	14	125	1	1	91	438	1	1	91	1	1	1	139	113 90	139 113 90	
J. W. Case.	Tabernacle Church, La Crosse.	15	1	30	15	62	11	1000	1	1	103	62	1	1	103	1	1	1	81	37 60	81 37 60	
L. J. Ingraham.	Broy.	52	3	131	72	342	16	1008	1	1	17	342	1	1	17	1	1	1	51	123 86	51 123 86	
J. M. Sellevold.	Danes and Norwegians, Blair.	52	4	187	50	279	7	277	2	1	1	279	2	1	1	1	1	1	128	161 45	128 161 45	
G. W. Lincoln.	District Missionary, Southwest.	26	1	60	48	385	11	318	7	1	94	385	7	1	94	1	1	1	128	161 45	128 161 45	
G. W. Lincoln.	Dodgeville.	26	1	60	48	385	11	318	7	1	94	385	7	1	94	1	1	1	128	161 45	128 161 45	
C. T. Everett.	Dodgeville.	26	1	60	48	385	11	318	7	1	94	385	7	1	94	1	1	1	128	161 45	128 161 45	
B. F. Martin.	Oconomowoc.	52	3	127	60	478	14	535	1	1	97	478	1	1	97	1	1	1	104	143 96	104 143 96	
Henry Happell.	Marquette.	18	4	47	18	135	11	40	1	1	120	135	1	1	120	1	1	1	120	120 00	120 120 00	
T. S. Evans.	Harsensd.	52	2	123	124	551	11	40	1	1	120	551	1	1	120	1	1	1	120	120 00	120 120 00	

R. W. Hobbs.....	West Superior.....	52	4	185	182	663	.....	6	12	137	.....	4	.....	369	634 81
H. E. Hoare.....	Eau Claire.....	26	2	83	46	183	.....	8	2	140	.....	2	.....	253	131 20
H. E. Hoare.....	East Eau Claire and Washington...	26	2	88	45	167	10	30	2	138	.....	2	.....	250	108 25
V. S. Phillips.....	Silver Lake.....	52	2	114	93	285	6	.....	2	27	.....	1	.....	54	57 80
C. D. Mayhew.....	Lancaster.....	13	2	32	26	150	.....	1	.....	38	.....	2	.....	108	5 00
W. J. Coburn.....	Lancaster.....	13	2	37	13	49	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	46	19 00
Paul Brown.....	Weyanwaga.....	13	1	27	13	64	.....	1	.....	38	.....	1	.....	46	18 25
K. A. Myers.....	Kautanna.....	26	2	52	26	323	.....	.....	3	34	.....	3	.....	117	46 64
Theodore Hansen.....	Columbus.....	13	1	26	12	70	.....	.....	.....	23	.....	1	.....	29	9 00
J. C. Johnson.....	Darlington.....	14	1	30	12	48	.....	.....	.....	62	.....	1	.....	68	14 50
John Johnson.....	Thorp.....	26	1	46	26	145	9	500	4	56	.....	1	.....	59	21 53
E. G. Hawley.....	Ripon.....	13	3	29	13	150	.....	2	1	66	.....	2	.....	119	60 50
S. A. Beman.....	Neenah.....	13	3	44	25	84	.....	.....	.....	80	.....	2	.....	132	.....
F. W. Swift.....	Fall River.....	13	5	35	3	30	.....	.....	.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. M. Hoare.....	Mt. Olive Church, Lucas.....	26	5	82	38	193	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	1	.....	44	52 84
F. O. Carlson.....	Swedes, District Missionary.....	52	.....	263	46	688	21	206	4	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 00
C. H. Henningsen.....	Danes and Norwegians, General Missionary.....	13	.....	50	4	155	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ole Ellison.....	Swedes, District Missionary.....	26	.....	149	33	130	.....	60	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	63 23
Ole Ellison.....	Swedes, Prentice.....	26	3	81	29	131	.....	5	.....	80	.....	2	.....	78	99 72
Ludwig Djupstrom.....	Swedes, Prentice.....	13	2	45	22	28	.....	25	2	79	.....	1	.....	60	41 49
C. P. Olson.....	Swedes, District Missionary.....	13	.....	71	13	185	.....	1600	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 19
C. P. Olson.....	Danes and Norwegians, Camp Douglas and vicinity.....	26	6	76	39	172	.....	100	.....	47	.....	2	.....	65	49 56
P. E. Swanstrom.....	Swedes, Wood Lake.....	39	2	124	49	114	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	3	.....	66	39 56
Detlof Lofstrom.....	Swedes, Grantsburg and Wood River.....	52	3	175	116	220	4	486	4	125	.....	3	1	113	150 91
A. A. Anderson.....	Swedes, West Superior.....	52	3	189	125	517	.....	5	4	92	.....	2	.....	110	241 58
O. S. Lindberg.....	Swedes, Ogema.....	26	1	86	33	165	3	217	5	88	.....	1	.....	50	75 84
Paul Hallin.....	Swedes, Rhinelander.....	17	5	55	33	136	.....	3	2	23	.....	1	.....	26	47 52
B. M. Johnson.....	Swedes, Brannon.....	17	2	45	27	86	.....	.....	.....	59	.....	2	.....	45	24 75
Theodore Hansen.....	Swedes, Antigo.....	26	2	104	26	295	1	16	29	116	.....	1	.....	75	38 65
Magnus Johnson.....	Swedes, Salem Church, Ashland..	52	3	193	60	348	.....	8	19	110	.....	3	.....	53	159 50
A. P. Kjellen.....	Swedes, Rice Lake.....	13	4	52	17	97	36	.....	2	22	.....	2	.....	52	.....
S. A. Kose.....	Germans, La Crosse.....	13	2	46	13	85	.....	8	1	55	.....	3	.....	279	16 00
C. F. Stoeckman.....	Germans, Sheboygan.....	39	1	86	99	252	4	700	1	61	.....	1	.....	101	148 60
Conrad Knudson.....	Columbus.....	13	1	27	20	75	.....	.....	.....	26	.....	1	.....	29	2 00
L. L. Turney.....	Marquette.....	13	2	36	13	110	.....	1	1	206	.....	1	.....	154	23 54

MINNESOTA.

O. A. Williams, D.D....	Superintendent of Missions, Upper Mississippi District.....	52	.....	60	42	270	.....	95,950	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	600 00
E. R. Pope.....	General Missionary.....	52	.....	102	36	291	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....

C. E. Ober...										Sweden, Bethel Church, Minn-									
										apolis									
C. E. Nylin	52	1	165	149	450	7	204	21	4	75	.....	2	.....	165	185	09	.....	.....	.....
Herman Bergman	52	4	222	72	466	2	298	11	5	48	.....	1	.....	34	75	02	.....	.....	.....
Herman Bergman	52	6	110	41	100	2	160	29	2	48	.....	1	.....	11	29	69	.....	.....	.....
Chief Tadin	52	6	15	54	111	.....	.....	.....	2	50	.....	1	.....	135	23	10	.....	.....	.....
T. O. Wold	52	6	15	72	225	.....	.....	.....	7	54	.....	2	.....	24	53	18	.....	.....	.....
Norwegian, Queen, Fosson and										Vicinity									
A. J. Dahlstrom	52	4	108	64	413	9	4000	6	21	46	.....	3	.....	69	17	48	.....	.....	.....
V. J. Lundstrom	52	18	83	5	91	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	35	.....	.....	.....	.....
M. H. Byers	52	18	75	58	112	10	1888	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34	186	18	.....	.....	.....
M. C. Jensen	52	3	178	57	179	2	.....	18	2	29	.....	2	.....	134	286	18	.....	.....	.....
N. J. Lee	52	3	178	57	396	0	189	3	2	75	.....	2	.....	75	129	83	.....	.....	.....
Danes and Norwegians, Bloom-										ing Prairie									
Elling Lorentzen	52	2	145	41	381	.....	.....	2	.....	50	.....	1	.....	69	67	25	.....	.....	.....
O. H. Shoshin	52	1	189	34	200	30	.....	7	1	70	.....	1	.....	77	106	13	.....	.....	.....
O. H. Shoshin	52	2	95	51	194	.....	.....	.....	.....	71	.....	1	.....	96	47	58	.....	.....	.....
C. C. Logdov	52	19	451	78	319	10	1547	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	38	.....	.....	.....	.....
Henri Gade	52	19	451	78	319	10	1547	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	38	.....	.....	.....	.....
Herman Kaa	52	2	119	54	499	6	2353	.....	.....	82	.....	1	.....	75	122	91	.....	.....	.....
Herman Kaa	52	2	119	54	499	6	2353	.....	.....	82	.....	1	.....	75	122	91	.....	.....	.....
F. S. Geras	52	3	26	37	205	6	350	4	2	117	.....	2	.....	79	153	33	.....	.....	.....
Lodov Von Lany	52	3	26	43	178	1	130	.....	.....	117	.....	2	.....	100	38	00	.....	.....	.....
D. H. Harza	52	3	77	38	320	1	466	.....	.....	117	.....	2	.....	77	119	00	.....	.....	.....
Samuel Batchelor	52	4	21	16	88	.....	.....	2	7	75	.....	2	.....	65	20	40	.....	.....	.....
A. J. Wiklund	52	4	80	30	260	.....	.....	.....	.....	78	.....	2	.....	133	20	36	.....	.....	.....
Finns, District Missionary										.....								
IOWA.										.....								
D. D. Proper	52	58	58	26	785	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. P. Barnhart	52	71	71	24	350	.....	.....	6	10	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	427	03	.....	.....	.....
A. C. Zallwiler	52	160	160	44	472	2	686	4	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	401	99	.....	.....	.....
N. J. Sigler	52	76	76	28	408	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	343	13	.....	.....	.....
J. M. Jones	52	168	168	72	192	7	194	22	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	224	30	.....	.....	.....
H. M. Jones	52	49	49	6	201	18	36	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	259	11	.....	.....	.....
Harry Ferguson	52	150	150	54	540	.....	.....	10	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	56	.....	.....	.....
Danes and Norwegians, District										Missionary									
C. J. Alquist	52	400	400	25	460	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	95	72	.....	.....	.....
August Olson	52	68	68	23	103	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32	02	.....	.....	.....
A. A. Holmgren	52	156	156	63	278	9	145	1	3	68	.....	.....	.....	.....	261	34	.....	.....	.....
J. G. Jolanson	52	99	99	35	155	50	1	22	78
Rasmus Christopherson	52	186	186	67	517	2	5	76	1	139	35

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J. W. Meigs.....	Northerton and Yates Center.....	96	68	17	86	9	138	3	171	90 50
C. W. Shepard.....	Plano and vicinity.....	13	26	12	30	54	40	0 00
D. P. Caspell.....	Spearton and vicinity.....	53	185	52	234	189	6	4	.....	51	21 16
A. E. Goddard.....	Union and vicinity.....	26	8	89	82	.....	.....	40	.....	46	14 00
B. M. Moore.....	Adrian City.....	50	121	48	823	4396	2	13	.....	131	112 52
D. L. Porter.....	Albion.....	50	121	70	700	.....	.....	79	.....	67	69 00
J. R. Roberts.....	Decatur and vicinity.....	12	5	172	15	.....	6	126	.....	130	121 10
J. M. Robinson.....	Decatur City and vicinity.....	17	67	77	100	.....	.....	30	.....	59	6 90
J. S. Unrueg.....	Full River and vicinity.....	26	73	37	100	160	.....	30	.....	45	85 85
Malcolm Wood.....	Harper and vicinity.....	52	173	57	438	13	.....	37	.....	81	85 85
Robert Cox.....	Colored, Ellsworth and vicinity.....	32	4	152	353	.....	14	107	.....	83	74 59
H. V. Plummer.....	Colored, Rose Hill Church, Kansas City.....	52	1	190	137	4	50	5	.....	77	132 07
T. W. Greese.....	Colored, Oswatimie, La. Cynne, and Ottawa.....	26	3	80	234	.....	3	17	.....	59	23 77
T. W. Greese.....	Colored, Oswatimie, La. Cynne, and Mound City.....	26	4	56	50	.....	.....	65	.....	112	32 02
J. A. Harris.....	Colored, Centram and Frankfort.....	26	2	86	60	.....	4	5	.....	113	68 59
G. W. Hart.....	Colored, South Eastern Association.....	26	35	86	57	.....	1	2	.....	30	.....
T. E. Farce.....	Colored, Mt. Hebron Church, Pittsburg.....	26	1	88	60	.....	1	8	.....	49	37 76
H. P. Fuller.....	Wamego.....	26	2	57	20	.....	.....	4	.....	48	4 82
G. W. Shepirt.....	St. Johns.....	13	1	40	20	4	100	1	.....	69	37 00
C. A. Beck.....	Sweden, Lindsborg.....	13	1	33	38	.....	.....	40	.....	31	6 75
A. D. Phelps.....	Florence.....	13	1	34	87	14	200	35	.....	60	32 16
C. A. Parker.....	Gallima.....	13	1	33	32	.....	.....	2	.....	162	31 00
T. I. Elkins.....	Norton.....	13	3	45	50	.....	50	6	.....	85	5 65
NEBRASKA.											
N. R. Rauden.....	Superintendent of Missions, Central District.....	34	127	62	191	14,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
N. R. Rauden.....	Superintendent of Missions, Trans-Mississippi Division.....	21	41	43	331	3000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
P. M. Williams.....	General Missionary.....	67	128	49	634	2785	7	9	.....	9600	66
W. W. Theobald.....	District Missionary, South.....	39	149	38	205	1250	7	.....	.....	386	36
J. H. Davis.....	State Evangelists.....	30	263	26	454	2200	27	23	.....	362	36
S. C. Green.....	North of Platte River.....	22	79	16	126	.....	.....	.....	.....	110	41
L. W. Terry.....	South of Platte River.....	22	93	9	426	1641	.....	.....	.....	914	44
A. O. Arauque.....	Sweden, District Missionary.....	74	457	103	648	52	954	7	.....	10	02
Peter Lovena.....	Sweden, South Omaha.....	74	228	92	695	1776	.....	.....	.....	328	50
C. E. Denham.....	Sweden, Gothenburg.....	61	7	98	316	2	175	8	.....	81	90
H. F. Anderson.....	Danes, Omaha.....	39	1	108	412	7	775	2	.....	41	133 56
Rasmus Christensen.....	Danes, Dannebrog.....	39	3	108	412	7	775	2	64	56
August Hoelter.....	Danes, Omaha.....	54	1	108	412	7	775	2	104	273 52

FUELING UP LABOR.

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L. R. Hall.....	Tower City.....	39	83	15	320	376	39	1	57	98 46
L. Williams.....	Bozart.....	4	83	40	500	2	135	74 36
M. C. McLean.....	Capital.....	54	84	70	75	1500	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	70	41 40
D. C. Nimmo.....	Batavia.....	40	85	52	15	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	63	19 00
L. M. Stoberg.....	Liboon and vicinity.....	7	85	53	12	354	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	63	19 00
P. T. Gurney.....	Blinnard.....	22	85	68	54	.....	.....	48	.....	.....	.....	50	14 47
Paul Muller.....	Germans, Friesland.....	52	86	68	324	78	8000	8	.....	.....	.....	204	143 52
Robert Harris.....	Germans, Helvon.....	39	86	59	124	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	43	104 73
Robert Finkle.....	Germans, Chert.....	39	86	33	948	30	1400	4	.....	.....	.....	130	105 30
John Redeker.....	Germans, Cretzmann.....	5	86	29	39	315	.....	45	.....	.....	.....	100	69 00
Albert Kludt.....	Germans, Berlin.....	50	86	59	675	43	395	35	.....	.....	.....	308	304 00
P. R. Hall.....	Germans, Jewell.....	23	87	4	68	5	342	5	.....	.....	.....	70	41 34
Paul Mitchell.....	Maria.....	11	87	30	68	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	200	10 00
	Bozbars.....	20	88	60	60	.....	.....	67	.....	.....	.....	54	12 50
MONTANA.													
L. G. Clark.....	General Missionary, Montana and South Idaho.....	13	25	20	105	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	98 71
L. G. Clark.....	General Missionary, Montana, South Idaho, Utah and Wyoming.....	39	89	49	280	60,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	115 36
T. G. Ansberry.....	Reeman.....	10	89	37	300	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	167	103 90
M. I. Reiman.....	Livingston.....	52	89	46	654	2	516	3	.....	.....	.....	83	239 77
L. A. Johns.....	Amorosa.....	52	89	47	327	74	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	83	239 77
William Van Engelen.....	Great Falls.....	39	89	40	210	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	87	75 75
William Remington.....	Idaho.....	52	89	75	444	2	2700	2	.....	.....	.....	159	113 35
H. F. Cole.....	Dillon.....	40	89	31	350	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	122	82 06
J. W. Ellis.....	Kalispell.....	48	89	30	244	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	128	82 06
J. I. Salinas.....	Missoula.....	52	89	48	340	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	128	82 06
M. E. Bailey.....	Hamilton, Stevensville, and vicinity.....	30	89	51	174	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	149	127 23
J. L. Limes.....	Hillings, Montana, and Big Horn Basin, Wyoming.....	26	89	51	174	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	149	127 23
J. S. Cederberg.....	Swedes, Anaconda and vicinity.....	30	89	55	227	2	5700	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00
J. G. Swartz.....	Swedes, Great Falls.....	20	89	57	227	2	5700	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00
Mrs. J. Whitmore.....	Cherokee, Mission School, Harte.....	50	89	59	256	11	568	8	.....	.....	.....	55	42 27
WYOMING													
J. L. Limes.....	District Missionary, North.....	26	89	57	227	2	5700	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00
W. G. Evans.....	Sheridan.....	18	89	44	225	1	100	1	.....	.....	.....	90	30 83
A. H. Dent.....	Sheridan and vicinity.....	18	89	44	225	1	100	1	.....	.....	.....	90	30 83
C. Davis.....	Cheyenne.....	18	89	44	225	1	100	1	.....	.....	.....	90	30 83
A. E. Reynolds.....	Colored, Second Church, Cheyenne.....	9	89	44	225	1	100	1	.....	.....	.....	90	30 83
E. S. Rogers.....	Evanson.....	8	89	44	225	1	100	1	.....	.....	.....	90	30 83
E. S. Perry.....	Evanson.....	8	89	44	225	1	100	1	90	30 83
G. W. Nick.....	Laramie.....	36	89	44	225	1	100	1	90	30 83

* Teacher.

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COLORADO														
D. D. Proper	General Missionary, Colorado and New Mexico	10	117	24	106	400	27	19	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
J. W. Crooks	General Missionary, Colorado and New Mexico	8	14	4	18	400	13	22	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
F. L. Rozelle	District Missionary	18	100	16	186	400	13	22	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
H. S. Purnell	Broadway Church, Denver	52	1	96	52	400	13	22	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
James Baldwin	Colorado City	52	1	121	104	400	13	22	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
M. Reid	Anaconda	39	3	104	54	373	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
A. Hayer	Fountain, Husted, and Monument	39	4	137	59	250	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
B. R. Downer	Fountain	13	2	50	13	100	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
F. G. Som	Grand Junction	52	2	168	60	348	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
D. S. McGlashen	Lake City	39	3	122	115	550	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
J. L. Steele	Gunnison	52	2	166	66	350	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
J. P. Robinson	Eastern part of State	39	4	76	32	117	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
Duncan Lamont	Mt. Olivet Church, Denver	22	1	48	30	97	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
George Kincaid	Mt. Olivet Church, Denver	26	1	47	38	130	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
David Reddick	Saguache	28	1	84	28	72	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
A. A. Fries	North Side Church, Denver	52	1	100	97	673	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
F. O. Butler	Hooper and Mosca	39	5	140	43	510	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
A. D. Carpenter	Hooper and Mosca	21	2	55	16	117	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
A. B. Larson	Durango	49	4	104	32	307	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
R. D. Graham	Bethel Church, Denver	52	1	117	61	319	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
B. L. Mitchell	Florence	52	1	146	46	375	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
J. D. Shapp	Longmont	52	2	100	104	447	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
S. W. Richards	Rocky Ford	52	3	208	64	977	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
L. O. McCollum	Holyoke	13	1	36	30	82	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
J. S. Henry	Holyoke	20	2	34	17	134	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
E. F. Perry	Holyoke	6	2	19	8	60	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
	Goldfield	13	2	42	11	70	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
	Las Animas	45	1	62	48	416	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
	Montrose	13	3	97	101	407	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
	Montrose	52	3	109	56	390	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31
	Pollacks	9	1	35	30	139	1	7	1	1	1	1	186	112 31

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		WEEKS.	CHURCHES AND DIS- TRICTS SUPERVISED.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYER AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BIBLES AND TESTA- MENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	ADDED TO CHURCH.	BY BAPTISM.	BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.																
IDAHO.																											
W. H. Fowler	Bellevue and vicinity	26	6	91	16	190	95	2	2	112	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
L. W. Fowler	Bellevue, Le Duc and Soldier	26	6	99	9	175	500	1	4	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
A. T. Chapman	Blackfoot and vicinity	13	4	29	24	86	86	2	35	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
U. W. Rich	Blackfoot	26	1	65	96	85	2250	4	5	46	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
G. W. Rich	Pocatello	61	1	118	61	800	40	800	12	48	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
F. H. Lyd-ton	Pose Valley and vicinity	39	5	118	32	155	7	1	1	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H. S. Black	Salubria and Middle Valley	52	3	130	92	133	7	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
W. S. Elton	Wallace	52	3	188	52	224	1	1	1	37	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
David Smith	Naz Perce	26	2	67	51	170	75	2	1	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
G. J. Kyle	Lewiston	26	2	86	59	454	1	1	1	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
G. R. Schinuch	Mountain Home	26	1	32	19	37	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
D. M. McReynolds	Nampa and Caldwell	30	3	157	97	505	2	2	13	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
R. F. Hampton	Payette and Weiser	30	3	38	13	46	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
J. R. Yarn	Moscow	26	1	56	26	138	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
C. H. McKee .....	.....	26	1	56	26	138	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
A. J. Gage .....	.....	41	3	217	23	291	30	63	15	84	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
CALIFORNIA.																											
Robert Whitaker	General Missionary, North	52	5	165	19	825	2	1050	1	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Peter Peterson	Danes, Watsonville and vicinity	52	5	203	46	200	2	1050	1	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nis Tychsen	Danes and Norwegians, Oakland	52	2	159	111	272	4	1100	6	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Charles Palm	Swedes, San Francisco	52	2	132	107	294	18	2000	16	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
A. B. Ogren	Swedes, San Jose	26	1	63	37	420	334	4	10	56	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H. L. Dietz	Swedes, San Francisco	23	2	32	13	110	2	1000	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
A. J. Melchior	Armenians, Fresno	26	1	27	10	110	2	1000	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
J. L. Allen	Colored, Beth Eden Ch., Oakland	52	1	158	120	312	11	175	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tong Kit Hing	Chinese, San Francisco	52	5	179	104	168	45	1000	10	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Lee To	Chinese, Evangelist	30	3	93	64	270	11	500	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. H. F. Norris	Chinese Mission, San Francisco	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. E. J. Houghton	Chinese Mission, San Francisco	30	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. I. M. Sterling	Chinese Mission, San Francisco	22	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. E. B. Whitman	Chinese Mission, San Francisco	30	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

* Teachers.

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FAMILIES OF LABOR.	WOMEN OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES PREPARING.	SEPARATE PREPARING.	PEOPLE OF OTHER RELIGIOUS BELIEFS.	FAMILIES OF PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY TRAINED.	BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS PRINTED.	BY BAPTISM.	BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	LUTHERAN REFORMED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS ORGANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	REVOLVENT CONTROLS.
W. E. Randall.	General Missionary, West.	5.	192	67	461	1492	6	1492	6	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
D. C. Fink.	District Missionary, West.	13	78	34	137	300	1	300	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Andrew Johnson.	Sweden, Skag and Cedarhouse.	52	116	79	373	472	1	472	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nicholas Hyslop.	Sweden, Licon.	52	116	79	373	472	1	472	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
J. A. H. Johnson.	Norwegians, Tacoma and Seattle.	26	4	91	58	380	3	380	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
O. L. Hoen.	Norwegians and Danes, Railroad and Rolling Bay.	5.	151	60	334	474	1	474	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
C. J. Grunquist.	Sweden, Ferndale, New Whatcom and Letha.	52	116	79	373	472	1	472	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
C. E. Kiewer.	Germania, Puget Sound Cities and vicinity.	30	125	41	445	16	370	16	370	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
S. W. Pennin.	Burton.	16	3	19	21	12	28	4	28	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
H. J. Powell.	Whitcomb.	26	2	72	46	63	3	1700	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
James Cairn.	Wallo.	26	2	72	46	63	3	1700	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
W. H. Haskell.	Wallo.	26	2	72	46	63	3	1700	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
William Brown.	Wallo.	26	2	72	46	63	3	1700	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
William Brown.	Wallo.	26	2	72	46	63	3	1700	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
J. H. Morgan.	North Bend and Fall City.	22	1	14	24	14	2	10	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
J. H. Woodley.	Kent and Black Diamond.	52	116	79	373	472	1	472	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
J. W. Miller.	Puyallup.	32	1	108	57	305	2	136	3	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
C. P. Brownlee.	Centralia.	32	1	108	57	305	2	136	3	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
W. G. Jones.	Everett.	22	1	45	51	236	2	400	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
W. G. Jones.	Everett.	22	1	45	51	236	2	400	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
C. O. Johnson.	Vancouver.	26	2	63	48	305	3	113	3	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
E. M. Bliss.	Fort Hill and Immanuel Church.	52	3	121	69	242	3	1130	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
E. W. Lloyd.	Immanuel Church, Tacoma.	20	3	52	18	275	3	300	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
A. W. Lloyd.	Chehalis.	22	2	66	18	275	3	300	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
A. G. Savin.	Central Church, Olympia.	26	2	59	25	195	3	2100	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
W. A. Ganton.	Port Angeles.	52	5	179	114	313	5	2100	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
J. A. Gregory.	Shelton.	24	1	53	26	186	1	100	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
G. C. King.	Sumas and Custer.	52	3	151	55	412	3	100	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
R. W. Johnson.	Ferndale, King, and Olive Church, Tacoma.	52	3	194	22	170	3	100	3	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10

W. H. Gibson	Abertoe	22	1	44	25	610	.....	.....	6	54	.....	1	.....	53	38 11
Robert Yeatman	Willapa and South Bend	66	2	53	34	145	2	11	3 80
F. A. Agar	New Whatcom	26	2	70	68	389	14	83	1	67	187 75
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ONTARIO.															
W. A. Schoen	Germans, Hagarty	52	2	123	49	269	2	104	1	56	26 68
Herman Thiel	Germans, Lynedoch	13	2	29	9	44	2	66
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MANITOBA.															
W. H. Mueller	Germans, Winnipeg	28	3	62	29	155	12	11	100	1	72	255 35
William Schunk	Germans, Winnipeg	17	3	47	57	146	18	400	114	2	94	88 78
George Burgdorff	Germans, Plum Coulee	39	8	127	54	327	56	1500	1	83	.....	4	1	150	.....
George Burgdorff	Germans, Morden	13	6	42	30	85	.....	1500	2	83	.....	3	.....	109	12 50
L. M. Stolberg	Scandinavians, Winnipeg, and General Missionary for Western Canada	42	124	49	295	4	928
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ALBERTA.															
F. A. Müller	Germans, Le Duc Alta	13	4	44	60	82	5	156	127	3	1	96	37 00
Abraham Hager	Germans, Otaskan	52	4	108	25	441	2	2	34	3	1	44	29 50
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ASSINABOIA.															
John Hager	Germans, Vendorf	22	2	39	32	175	6	130	29	1	24	15 00
John Hager	Germans, Ebenezzer	17	27	24	168	11	196	50	1	64
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BRITISH COLUMBIA.															
J. H. Best	Rosland	13	1	26	13	80	4	35	1	44	22 00
M. Van Sickle	Nanaimo	39	1	82	79	470	15	57	1	150	207 00
H. E. Newcombe	Mt. Pleasant Church, Vancouver	26	1	63	48	150	.....	.....	8	47	.....	1	.....	106	68 80
S. R. Stephens	Mt. Pleasant Church, Vancouver	13	.....	26	13	120	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
G. R. Welch	Nelson	26	3	63	52	621	10	.....	.....	38	.....	2	1	59	85 41
O. E. Kendall	Emmanuel Church, Victoria	39	1	78	39	200	.....	1000	9	124	.....	1	.....	161	146 10
C. N. Mitchell	Chilliwick	13	5	39	13	150	2	31	2	1	48	25 00
I. G. Matthews	Jackson Avenue Church, Vancouver	13	1	46	26	150	1	60	1	165	75 00
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MEXICO.															
H. T. Westrup	Linares	31	3	97	27	90	7	947	20	1	22
T. M. Westrup	Linares and vicinity	13	9	62	18	156	5	1020	7	113	1	2	84	21 20
T. M. Westrup	Montemorelos	40	7	182	39	485	13	2800	5	81	.....	2	.....	108	97 12

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES AND THEIR POSITIONS.	FIELDS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OTHER SOCIETIES.		SERMONS PREACHED.		PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.		FAMILIARIZATION OF PERSONS.		BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS DISTRIBUTED.		PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.		BY BAPTISM.		BY LETTERS OR OTHER MEANS.		NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.		CHURCHES ORGANIZED.		CHURCH BUILDINGS.		NUMBER OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		ADVANCE AT SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		BENEFICENT CONTRIBUTIONS.	
		CHURCHES AND OTHER SOCIETIES.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIARIZATION OF PERSONS.	BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	BY BAPTISM.	BY LETTERS OR OTHER MEANS.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CHURCH BUILDINGS.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	ADVANCE AT SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	BENEFICENT CONTRIBUTIONS.															
W. H. Sloan.....	City of Mexico.....	4	155	77	846	384	33,245	15	3	170	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. T. McGovern.....	Assistant, City of Mexico.....	48	71	40	104	3	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fernando Haro.....	Puebla.....	14	185	52	796	30	42,900	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Teofilo Uribe.....	San Luis Potosi.....	2	241	59	554	16	15,760	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. F. Kimball.....	Nuevo Laredo.....	64	246	76	1807	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Refugio Garza.....	Ciudadela.....	71	220	75	280	9	27,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. R. Cavazos.....	Santa Rosa.....	53	177	62	776	11	12,240	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. M. Villareal.....	Salinas and vicinity.....	64	164	64	435	12	15,960	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
M. A. Villareal.....	Salinas Hidalgo.....	64	246	66	173	23	8,170	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alejandro Trevino.....	Monterrey.....	52	157	52	505	9	8,900	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miss Delina Cavazos.....	Mission School, Santa Rosa.....	17	.....	17	129	.....	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miss Orelia Rocha.....	Mission School, Monterey.....	78	.....	.....	36	.....	553	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miss Zoila Ramirez.....	International School, Monterey.....	17	.....	16	77	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miss Esther Trevino.....	International School, Monterey.....	48	.....	17	140	.....	2,900	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miss Marie Westrup.....	International School, Monterey.....	48	.....	39	160	.....	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miss Delina Cavazos.....	International School, Monterey.....	48	.....	39	160	.....	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
ALASKA.		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. H. Latourrette.....	Klondike Region.....	28	.....	28	75	15	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
I. C. Jordan.....	Staguay.....	20	.....	55	396	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
CUBA.		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. B. Mosley, D. D.....	General Missionary, Eastern Cuba.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
James T. McGovern.....	Santiago.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
PORTO RICO.		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. P. McCormick.....	General Missionary.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. Ida Hayes.....	Assistant to H. P. McCormick.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

† No reports received.

* Teachers.

SUMMARY

OF STATES, RECEIPTS, MISSIONARIES, LABORS AND RESULTS.

STATES, ETC.	CONTRIBUTIONS AND LEGACIES IN 1896-'99.	No of Missionaries.	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Out- stations Supplied.	Sermons Preached.	Prayer-meetings Attended.	Families or Persons Religiously Visited.	Books and Tracts Merchandise Distributed.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	Added to Church.	By Letter or Experience.	Churches Organized.	Church Edifices Erected.	Numbers of Sunday- Schools.	Attendance at Sun- day-Schools.	Home-visit Contri- butions.
MAINE.....	\$4,812.15	1	10	1	78	30	92	9	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	\$24.00
New Hampshire.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	770.15
Vermont.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	770.15
Massachusetts.....	44,163.66	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	941.31
Rhode Island.....	2,535.02	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	941.31
Connecticut.....	12,400.10	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
New York.....	81,805.30	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
New Jersey.....	8,471.00	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Pennsylvania.....	48,775.11	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Delaware.....	775.71	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Maryland.....	88.74	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
District of Columbia.....	88.74	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Virginia.....	88.74	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
West Virginia.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Kentucky.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Tennessee.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
North Carolina.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
South Carolina.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Georgia.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Florida.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Alabama.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Mississippi.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Louisiana.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Arkansas.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Missouri.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Illinois.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Indiana.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Ohio.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Michigan.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Wisconsin.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Iowa.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58
Minnesota.....	1,750.38	1	13	1	107	107	107	53	1,010	12	6	50	1	1	17	1,218.58

	351	1,526	471	3,466	1,426	8,653	174	13,407	100	113	3,000	4	241	2,462	4,051
Iowa.....	9,128	55													95
Missouri.....	1,076	17	5	450	1,062	594	71	708	37	444	35	1	57	2,462	2,000
Indian Territory.....	455	94	131	4,445	1,863	7,090	417	21,070	286	444	2,713	7	66	3,258	2,000
Oklahoma Ter.....	40	21	70	2,388	1,124	6,881	170	8,098	171	240	2,060	4	37	5,145	1,400
Kansas.....	4,028	68	184	5,531	2,220	12,811	170	20,818	893	300	3,073	1	201	5,131	5,431
Nebraska.....	4,120	69	75	4,000	1,026	13,612	227	45,005	170	216	2,060	1	50	3,215	6,132
South Dakota.....	1,709	60	44	4,315	1,025	13,612	227	45,005	170	216	2,060	1	50	3,215	6,132
North Dakota.....	721	28	101	4,000	1,026	13,612	227	45,005	170	216	2,060	1	50	3,215	6,132
Minnesota.....	564	28	101	4,000	1,026	13,612	227	45,005	170	216	2,060	1	50	3,215	6,132
Montana.....	564	28	101	4,000	1,026	13,612	227	45,005	170	216	2,060	1	50	3,215	6,132
Wyoming.....	564	28	101	4,000	1,026	13,612	227	45,005	170	216	2,060	1	50	3,215	6,132
Colorado.....	3,128	26	9	4,371	1,384	10,310	426	22,754	395	200	3,375	2	54	3,045	5,244
New Mexico.....	220	38	67	3,609	1,284	10,310	426	22,754	395	200	3,375	2	54	3,045	5,244
Arizona.....	141	70	341	678	321	1,913	84	1,991	41	81	715	3	12	1,003	128
Utah.....	35	04	15	331	210	1,018	99	1,128	13	22	715	3	12	1,003	128
Nevada.....	40	00	8	496	310	2,024	26	27,130	11	22	540	2	3	840	385
Idaho.....	217	16	5	130	40	950	68	3,743	201	12	54	2	2	840	385
Idaho.....	217	16	5	130	40	950	68	3,743	201	12	54	2	2	840	385
California.....	47,721	98	513	1,605	728	3,520	60	3,743	201	12	54	2	2	840	385
Oregon.....	1,733	00	116	5,487	2,745	13,724	400	62,035	261	321	2,745	1	20	1,800	937
Washington.....	2,439	80	78	3,513	1,726	9,143	128	45,438	277	205	2,110	2	38	2,007	8,325
Ozark.....	1,797	1	118	4,705	2,426	13,612	314	34,213	50	244	3,170	3	83	4,032	3,890
Manitoba.....	4	139	4	139	4	139	3	139	2	244	3,170	3	83	4,032	3,890
Alberta.....	4	139	4	139	4	139	3	139	2	244	3,170	3	83	4,032	3,890
Assiniboia.....	4	139	4	139	4	139	3	139	2	244	3,170	3	83	4,032	3,890
British Columbia.....	16	00	8	182	26	341	7	196	4	161	161	1	6	475	356
Mexico.....	85	22	13	433	283	1,041	17	326	11	11	161	1	6	475	356
Alaska.....	7	50	2	83	48	471	15	140	2	21	20	1	10	140	106
Cuba.....	7	50	2	83	48	471	15	140	2	21	20	1	10	140	106
Puerto Rico.....	6,656	50													15
Ger. Miss. Soc'y.....	19,360	17													690
Woman's Am.....	375	00													936
Woman's Mch.....	375	00													936
China.....	25	00													241
Burma.....	6	00													45
TOTALS.....	8,84,676	64	1,405	1,807	86,744	43,395	244,513	8,374	2,380,978	3,325	4,030	57	63	72,061	897,781

MEMBERS FOR LIFE.

Total Number Constituted such During the Year—50.

- Atwood, Charles E., Englewood, Ill., by Church.
- Baptist Young People's Union of College Avenue Church, Indianapolis, Ind., by Self.
- Barbour, Frank H., Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.
- Bodien, Rev. Olof, Minneapolis, Minn., by First Swede Church.
- Briggs, Albert P., Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.
- Coolidge, Miss Abbie D., Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.
- Curtis, Miss Delia, Toledo, Ohio, by Self.
- Cutler, Ella F., Somerville, Mass., by Self.
- Cutler, Frank E., Somerville, Mass., by Self.
- Davis, Evan P., Scranton, Pa., by First Welsh Church.
- Douglass, Rev. C. T., Pasadena, Cal., by Miss Delia Curtis.
- Driver, Dr. Stephen William, Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.
- Evarts, Rev. William W., St. Paul, Minn., by Woodland Park Church.
- Gooch, Mrs. Sarah G., Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.
- Goodell, Mrs. Hannah J., Antrim, N. H., by the Church.
- Griffin, James, Strasburg, Ill., by Self.
- Hansen, Jorgen, Chicago, Ill., by Self.
- Hayden, Frank, Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.
- Hill, Rev. Claiborne M., Oakland, Cal., by Tenth Avenue Church.
- Hutchinson, Rev. J. M., Newburgh, N. Y., by Moulton Memorial Church.
- Jones, Miss Ethel G., Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.
- Jones, Mrs. Harriet Newell, Philadelphia, Pa., by Sarah Ann Trevor.
- Kleeman, Mrs. Sarah, Philadelphia, Pa., by Sarah Ann Trevor.
- Lilley, Mrs. Mary E., Winchester, Ill., by Mrs. Nancy Willson.
- Miller, Rev. A. T., Rio, Wis., by Self. [Church.
- Morgan, John J., Scranton, Pa., by First Welsh
- Neal, Mabel G., Caldwell, Kan., by Self.
- Nellis, Rev. A. A., Livonia Station, N. Y., by the Church.
- Padelford, Rev. Frank W., Haverhill, Mass., by the First Church.
- Parker, Charles B., Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.
- Poteat, E. M., D.D., Philadelphia, Pa., by Sarah Ann Trevor.
- Robinson, Mrs. Alice B., Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.
- Runyan, John S., Medicine Lodge, Kan., by the Church.
- Shepardson, Mrs. Daniel, Jr., Newark, Ohio, by Rev. Daniel Shepardson.
- Smith, James W. P., Haverhill, Mass., by the First Church.
- Smothers, Miss Sophronia, Winchester, Ill., by Mrs. Nancy Willson.
- Soares, Theodore G., Ph.D., Rockford, Ill., by the First Church.
- Stucker, Rev. E. S., La Grange, Ill., by the Church.
- Thomas, Rev. Judson B., Chicago, Ill., by Self.
- Van Houton, George A., Newark, N. J., by Peddie Memorial Sunday-School.
- White, Mrs. M. W., Westboro, Mass., by Self.
- White, Mrs. Margaret W., West Concord, N. H., by Self.
- Whiting, Rev. J. V., Kewanee, Ill., by Self.
- Wilkin, Miss Helen, Toledo, Ohio, by Miss Delia Curtis.
- Wilkin, Mrs. Mary B., Toledo, Ohio, by Miss Delia Curtis.
- Williams, Mrs. Fannie B., Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.
- Williams, Miss Margaret C., Newark, N. J., by Peddie Memorial Sunday-School.
- Winch, Mrs. Ellen M. B., Westboro, Mass., by Self.
- Woody, Rev. C. A., Portland, Ore., by Maryland Avenue Church, Washington, D. C.
- Wyman, John P., Cambridge, Mass., by Old Cambridge Church.

TABLE OF ANNUAL MEETINGS.

DATE.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	TREASURER.
1832, April 27.....	N. Y. Organizat'n	Hon. Thomas Stocks...	Rev. Jonathan Going, elected	Wm. Colgate elected.
1833, May 8.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.	William Colgate.
1834, May 7 & 8.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.	William Colgate.
1835, May 4 & 5.....	Richmond.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.	William Colgate.
1836, June 7 & 8.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going } Rev. Luther Crawford }	William Colgate.
1837, April 27-30.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going } Rev. Luther Crawford }	Runyon W. Martin.
1838, April 27 & 28	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Luther Crawford..	Runyon W. Martin.
1839, April 26.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1840, April 28.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1841, April 27, 28 & May 1	Baltimore	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1842, April 26-28.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1843, April 25.....	Albany	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1844, April 23, 26, 29 & 30	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1845, April 29 & May 1 & 2	Providence	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1846, May 13 & 14.....	Brooklyn.....	Friend Humphrey	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1847, May 10 & 11.....	New York	Friend Humphrey	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1848, May 11.....	New York	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1849, May 10.....	New York.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1850, May 9.....	New York	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1851, May 8.....	New York	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1852, May 14-16.....	Cleveland	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1853, May 13-15.....	Troy.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1854, May 11-14.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D. ..	Chas. J. Martin.
1855, May 9.....	Brooklyn.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D. ..	Chas. J. Martin.
1856, May 9 & 10.....	New York	Hon. Albert Day	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D. ..	Chas. J. Martin.
1857, May 13 & 14.....	Boston.....	Hon. Albert Day	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D. ..	J. E. Southworth.
1858, May 14 & 15.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Albert Day	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D. ..	D. C. Whitman.
1859, May 13-15.....	New York	Hon. J. P. Crozer	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D. ..	Eben. Cauldwell.
1860, May 24.....	Cincinnati.....	Hon. J. P. Crozer	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D. ..	Eben. Cauldwell.
1861, May 31.....	Brooklyn.....	J. E. Southworth.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D. ..	Eben. Cauldwell.
1862, May 29.....	Providence.....	Hon. Ira Harris.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D. ..	Eben. Cauldwell.
1863, May 21.....	Cleveland.....	Hon. J. W. Merrill.....	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D. ..	Eben. Cauldwell.

TABLE OF ANNUAL MEETINGS.—Continued.

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1864, May 19, 21 & 24	Philadelphia	Hon. J. W. Merrill	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1865, May 18, 20, 22 & 23	St. Louis	M. B. Anderson, LL.D.	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1866, May 17 & 18	Boston	M. B. Anderson, LL.D.	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1867, May 23 & 24	Chicago	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1868, May 26 & 27	New York	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	{ Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., }	Eben. Cauldwell.
1869, May 19	Boston	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	{ Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., }	Eben. Cauldwell.
1870, May 26	Philadelphia	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	{ Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., }	Eben. Cauldwell.
1871, May 20 and 21	Chicago	Hon. Wm. Kelly	{ Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., }	Eben. Cauldwell.
1872, May 23	New York	Hon. J. M. S. Williams.	{ Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., }	Wm. A. Gellatly.
1873, May 21 & 22	Albany	Hon. J. M. S. Williams.	{ Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., }	Wm. A. Gellatly.
1874, May 23-25	Washington.	Hon. S. A. Crozer	{ Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D., }	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1875, May 27	Philadelphia	Hon. S. A. Crozer	Nathan Bishop, LL.D., acting Sec.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1876, May 26	Buffalo.	Hon. S. A. Crozer	Nathan Bishop, LL.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1877, May 24	Providence	Hon. Robert O. Fuller.	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1878, May 29	Cleveland.	Hon. Robert O. Fuller.	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1879, May 29 & 30	Saratoga Springs.	Hon. Robert O. Fuller.	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1880, May 26 & 27	Saratoga Springs.	Hon. Wm. Stickney	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1881, May 24 & 25	Indianapolis.	Hon. Wm. Stickney	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1882, May 24, 25 & 26.	New York	Hon. James L. Howard.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1883, May 25 & 26	Saratoga Springs.	Hon. James L. Howard.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1884, May 26 & 27	Detroit	Hon. James L. Howard.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1885, May 27 & 28	Saratoga Springs.	John B. Trevor	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	William Phelps.
1886, May 27, 28 & 29	Asbury Park, N.J.	Samuel Colgate	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.

1887, May 27, 28 & 29.	Minneapolis...	Samuel Colgate.....	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1888, May 16 & 17.....	Washington	Samuel Colgate.....	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1889, May 17 & 18.	Boston.....	Hon. C. W. Kingsley.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1890, May 26 & 27.	Chicago.....	Hon. C. W. Kingsley.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1891, May 20 & 21.	Cincinnati.....	Hon. C. W. Kingsley.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1892, May 27 & 28.	Philadelphia ...	Hon. E. Nelson Blake.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1893, May 29 & 30.	Denver..	Hon. E. Nelson Blake.	{ Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., hon. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1894, May 23 & 24.	Saratoga Springs.	Hon. E. Nelson Blake.	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1895, May 30 & 31.	Saratoga Springs.	H. K. Porter.....	{ Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fid. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1896, May 25 & 26.	Asbury Park. N. J.	H. K. Porter.....	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fid. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1897, May 19 & 20.	Pittsburg, Pa...	H. K. Porter.....	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fid. sec.	D. A. Waterman. Wm. P. Plant, Asst. Treas.
1898, May 19 & 20.	Rochester, N. Y.	Stephen Greene.....	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fid. sec.	D. A. Waterman. Wm. P. Plant, Asst. Treas.
1899, May 30 31, and June 1.....	San Francisco, Cal.....	Stephen Greene	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fid. sec.	Frank R. Hatha- way.

Officers were elected generally at the Annual Meeting previous to that against which their names appear in the foregoing table.

REVISED MISSIONARY TABLE SHOWING THE DISTRIBUTION

SOCIETY'S YEAR.		Me.	N. H.	Vt.	Mass.	R. I.	Conn.	N. Y.	N. J.	Penn.	Del.	Md.	D. C.	Va.	W. Va.	Ky.	Tenn.	N. C.	S. C.	Ga.	Fla.	Ala.	Miss.	La.	Ark.	Tex.	Ore.	Cal.
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TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RESULTS.

SOCIETY'S YEAR.	Contributions and Legacies.	No. of Missionaries	Churches and Stations Supplied.	Baptisms Reported.	Churches Organized	Years of Labor.
1—1832-33	\$6,586 73	50	.....	400	.....	23
2—1833-34	7,776 52	62	.....	1,600	40	55
3—1834-35	8,663 84	79	.....	1,200	60	68
4—1835-36	16,910 85	96	300	1,040	96	79
5—1836-37	12,361 66	103	247	873	33	89
6—1837-38	13,437 81	105	237	1,431	29	81
7—1838-39	15,345 05	115	.....	1,058	24	88
8—1839-40	17,334 29	87	.....	761	24	62
9—1840-41	10,779 09	71	300	1,134	59	45
10—1841-42	12,506 92	93	325	1,495	36	68
11—1842-43	11,806 51	85	304	1,489	50	63
12—1843-44	13,401 76	73	249	1,127	29	46
13—1844-45	18,675 68	97	327	818	51	62
14—1845-46	15,727 73	98	472	992	33	71
15—1846-47	18,161 50	136	505	490	29	84
16—1847-48	20,068 73	151	558	694	35	105
17—1848-49	20,876 64	128	453	774	45	92
18—1849-50	25,201 09	110	338	949	33	81
19—1850-51	29,648 28	132	386	981	33	98
20—1851-52	38,114 16	141	380	1,187	46	99
21—1852-53	42,872 01	164	500	1,025	59	116
22—1853-54	56,381 08	175	612	1,322	67	137
23—1854-55	55,545 40	169	481	1,026	55	128
24—1855-56	47,928 54	113	196	542	21	87
25—1856-57	43,361 76	88	211	336	24	64
26—1857-58	41,707 82	97	247	593	27	77
27—1858-59	43,525 92	106	269	764	53	85
28—1859-60	55,749 50	128	358	496	50	96
29—1860-61	44,678 67	131	371	867	71	109
30—1861-62	31,144 28	84	252	473	30	71
31—1862-63	32,095 30	87	215	501	17	55
32—1863-64	56,090 00	147	372	892	36	83
33—1864-65	94,403 17	227	429	2,141	57	130
34—1865-66	105,936 25	312	378	4,151	89	158
35—1866-67	144,184 46	391	406	7,236	132	233
36—1867-68	139,060 44	326	352	6,712	106	207
37—1868-69	130,877 23	266	301	4,424	64	183
38—1869-70	177,878 90	301	321	3,840	70	184
39—1870-71	197,071 30	338	491	4,038	90	195
40—1871-72	186,251 29	414	500	6,029	160	259
41—1872-73	210,660 07	435	484	4,910	166	278
42—1873-74	221,272 97	329	362	2,264	113	187
43—1874-75	198,343 98	324	358	2,100	92	198
44—1875-76	177,876 62	254	300	2,036	65	159
45—1876-77	159,032 94	225	256	1,581	60	163
46—1877-78	126,463 91	213	250	1,834	36	149

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RESULTS.—Continued.

SOCIETY'S YEAR.	Contributions and Legacies.	No. of Missionaries	Churches and Stations Supplied.	Baptisms Reported.	Churches Organized	Years of Labor.
47—1878-79	\$115,083 38	238	274	1,172	42	157
48—1879-80	122,419 21	277	836	1,160	67	175
49—1880-81	193,373 24	390	1,202	1,304	61	236
50—1881-82	311,918 48	512	1,460	1,675	75	318
51—1882-83	226,914 76	607	1,762	2,515	152	406
52—1883-84	369,302 51	636	1,599	2,949	145	404
53—1884-85	315,245 53	702	1,628	3,317	139	464
54—1885-86	326,279 09	676	1,512	3,396	140	442
55—1886-87	523,623 82	678	1,385	3,300	129	447
56—1887-88	551,595 92	743	1,594	2,886	137	475
57—1888-89	296,461 53	790	1,795	3,646	181	526
58—1889-90	360,414 15	833	1,659	3,834	163	541
59—1890-91	213,586 62	948	1,828	4,523	199	603
60—1891-92	318,986 06	1,053	2,018	4,335	119	669
61—1892-93	315,961 78	1,082	2,035	5,743	136	715
62—1893-94	333,137 61	1,111	2,221	5,998	149	682
63—1894-95	355,157 75	1,100	1,933	6,192	150	716
64—1895-96	394,729 10	1,147	2,015	6,258	187	713
65—1896-97	320,534 93	1,064	1,775	4,916	137	722
66—1897-98	318,176 25	1,030	1,591	5,022	150	689
67—1898-99	384,676 64	1,092	1,807	3,325	57	720
Totals..	9,811,356.88			159,892	5,310	16,070

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

I.—This Society shall be called THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

OBJECT.

II.—The object of this Society shall be to promote the preaching of the Gospel in North America.

MEMBERSHIP.

III.—The Society shall be composed of Annual Delegates and Life Members. Any Baptist Church, in union with the denomination, may appoint a delegate for an annual contribution of ten dollars, and an additional delegate for each additional thirty dollars. Fifty dollars shall be requisite to constitute a Member for Life.

OFFICERS.

IV.—The officers of the Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, two Auditors, one or more Corresponding Secretaries, and a Recording Secretary.

MANAGERS.

V.—There shall be twenty-one managers also, residing chiefly in the city of New York, or its vicinity, who shall be divided by lot among themselves into three classes of seven members each. The terms of service of the first class shall expire in one year, that of the second class in two years, and that of the third class in three years; provided that absence from four consecutive regular meetings of the Board without a written, valid excuse, shall work a forfeiture of membership, unless the term is extended by special vote of the Board. At each annual meeting of the Society, after the first election under this amended Constitution, one class only shall be elected for the term of three years, to the end that the third part of the whole number of the managers, as nearly as possible, may be annually chosen; provided, however, that vacancies remaining in any class may be filled for the unexpired term of that class. The officers and managers shall be elected by ballot and continue to discharge their official duties until superseded by a new election.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

VI.—The Recording Secretary and Managers of the Society shall constitute the Executive Board, to control the business of the Society, seven of whom shall be a quorum for that purpose. They shall have power to appoint their own meetings, elect their own Chairman, and Recording Secretary, enact their own By-laws and Rules of Order, provided, always, that they be not inconsistent with this Constitution; fill all vacancies which may occur in their own body, or in the offices of the Society, during the year, and, if deemed necessary by two-thirds of the members, convene special meetings of the Society. They shall establish such agencies as the interests of the Society may require, appoint agents and missionaries, fix their compensations, direct and instruct them concerning their particular fields and labors, make all appropriations to be paid out of the treasury, and present the Society, at each annual meeting, a full report of their proceedings during the current year.

DESIGNATED FUNDS.

VII.—All moneys or other property contributed and designated for any particular missionary field or purpose shall be so appropriated, or returned to the donors or their lawful agents.

TREASURER.

VIII.—The Treasurer shall give bonds to such amount as the Executive Board shall think proper.

ELIGIBILITY TO APPOINTMENT.

IX.—All the Officers, Managers, Missionaries, and Agents of the Society shall be members in good standing in regular Baptist Churches.

ANNUAL MEETING.

X.—The Society shall meet annually for the election of Officers and Managers, and the transaction of other necessary business, at such time and place as the Executive Board shall appoint.

ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

XI.—No alteration of this Constitution shall be made without an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed in writing, and the proposition sustained by a majority vote, at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Board.

THE AMENDED ACT OF INCORPORATION.

CHAPTER 528.

AN ACT

To amend chapter one hundred and seventeen of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-three, entitled "An act to incorporate the American Baptist Home Mission Society," as amended and extended by chapter thirty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven.

Became a law May 3, 1895, with the approval of the Governor. Passed, three-fifths being present.

The people of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter one hundred and seventeen of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-three, entitled "An act to incorporate the American Baptist Home Mission Society," as amended and extended by chapter thirty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and by chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. All such persons as now are, or hereafter may become, members of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, formed in the city of New York in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two, shall be, and hereby are, constituted a body corporate by the name of "The American Baptist Home Mission Society," for the purpose of promoting the preaching of the Gospel, for the establishing, maintaining, or aiding Baptist churches or missions, for the acquisition of sites in contemplation of the erection of houses of worship and other buildings, and for the establishing or maintaining, or assisting in the establishing or maintaining of schools and other institutions of learning in connection with its missionary work in North America.

§ 2. It shall be lawful for the members of said Society, at any time they may elect, to appoint such officers and to make and ordain such by-laws and regulations in relation to their organization and to the management, disposition, and sale of their real or personal estate, the duties and powers of their officers, and the management of their corporate affairs as they shall think proper, provided they are not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this State and of the United States.

§ 3. The said corporation shall have power to receive, take, hold, and enjoy any property, real or personal, by virtue of any devise, bequest, gift, grant, or purchase, either absolutely or in trust, and to make investments thereof, or of the proceeds thereof, or of any of its funds, wherever and in such manner as may be deemed advisable, and therewith to acquire or erect for its own use or accommodation, or for other purposes, such building or buildings as it may regard advantageous to the interests of the Society, or of the Baptist denomination, with which it is connected; subject, however, in respect to the amount of property it may take and hold, to the restrictions and limitations of existing laws, and in respect to devises or bequests from residents of the State of New York, to the provisions of chapter three hundred and sixty of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty, entitled "An act in relation to wills."

§ 4. The annual and other meetings of said corporation may be held at such place or places within the United States, and at such time or times as the said corporation may, from time to time, determine.

§ 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

HAVE YOU MADE A WILL?

It will not shorten your life to make it. Nobody knows as well as yourself upon whom you would wish to settle your estate. Perhaps there are claims which your Lord and Redeemer has upon the final disposition of it. There may be ignorance which you ought to do something to enlighten; there may be souls in the shadow and darkness of death whom you should do something to lift up into light.

Do not write your own will unless you are a lawyer; better a few dollars spent for skill than that your estate be ravaged by litigation. Let your lawyer be sure that names of Institutions remembered be written with absolute correctness. We hope you are disposed to remember this Society. For our Colored Schools we need endowment funds which, over and over, through successive generations, shall be made to do the work of instructing teachers and preachers; we need funds for the support and enlargement of our general missionary work among the weak and destitute; we urgently need funds for the Benevolent Department of our Church Edifice work. Remember us. You are giving to these causes now; give when you are dead.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE SOCIETY—"I give and bequeath to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, formed in New York in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two, the sum of ——— for the general purposes of said Society."

Bequests for special features of the Society's work should be properly expressed in the will, thus: "For the Freedmen's Work of the Society"; "For Endowment Fund for Christian Schools among the Negroes and the Indians"; "For the Maintenance of Students for the Ministry in Schools for the Negroes and the Indians"; "For the Benevolent Department of the Church Edifice Fund."

The following form of attestation by three witnesses, who should write against their names their places of residence, will answer for every State in the Union: "Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said (A. B.) as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who, at the request of the said (A. B.) and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses." A codicil must be attested in the same manner. In some States it is required that charitable bequests should be made at least two months before the death of the testator.

Do You Prefer to be Your Own Executor?

This Society will receive your money designated for the purpose you name, and will invest it, and if you so desire will pay you an annuity for it while you live—the Society to hold and use it after your decease. The Society holds large amounts in trust in this precise form. It gives to the donor a bond which makes a safe and guaranteed investment during his life. Thus there will be no contest over your will when you are gone, and no uncertainty about your gift reaching its destination.

Pastors and others who know of bequests to the Society are especially requested to inform the Corresponding Secretary of the facts as far as practicable giving names of testator, executor and Surrogate, and any other facts of importance. Sometimes through neglect or other causes, information concerning bequests reaches us long after the death of the testator, and sometimes it is believed, not at all probable, as are carried, and every Christian is interested in having them carried and applied to the ends designated.

Donors should make drafts, checks and Post office orders payable to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and can send them direct to the District Secretary or General Missionary for their distribution.

The payment of \$50 makes one a member for life. Churches frequently constitute their pastors Life Members so that whenever they attend the meeting of the Society they have a voice in its deliberations.



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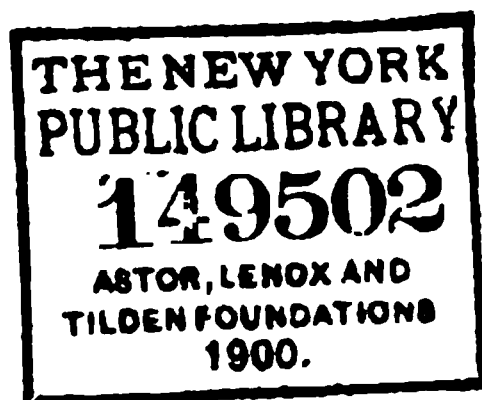
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ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Prayer.
2. Calling of the Roll.
3. Reading of the Minutes of the Last Meeting.
4. Report of Treasurer.
5. Communications from the Corresponding Secretary.
6. Reports from Standing Committees.
7. Report of Auditors.
8. Miscellaneous Business.

THE SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
American Baptist Home Mission Society.

HELD AT DETROIT, MICH., MAY 23 AND 24, 1900.

The Sixty-eighth Annual Meeting of the American Baptist Home Mission Society convened in the meeting-house of the Woodward Avenue Church, Detroit, Mich., May 23, 1900, at 10:30 A.M.

The commodious and convenient house, with every provision for comfort, was prepared for the delegates with generous hand. Providence gave delightful weather and the attendance from the first was large.

President Stephen Greene in the chair.

(1) The session opened with singing:

“Come, Thou, Almighty King.”

Rev. L. L. Henson of Indiana read John xv, 1-14, and Rev. Wm. Ashmore of China offered prayer.

Singing: “He Leadeth Me.”

(2) A.J. Fox, Esq., of Michigan, spoke words of welcome, in the name “not only of the Baptists of Detroit, but of all the citizens.” He said the Society would read the welcome not only in the faces of all they met, but it would be emblazoned on the city hall. We know you will help us in all things spiritual. We trust you will also find a return blessing from us. The meetings will not end with the vote to adjourn, but a deeper consecration will follow them. We hope that, like the Carnegie Hall Mis-

sionary Conference, they will be so good that you will never cease to thank God that you were here.

Singing: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

(3) President Greene delivered the following address:

The record of another year is completed. Doubtless there are entries that we should all like to change if we could, but the books are closed.

The report of our Executive Committee, which will be presented by Dr. Morgan, and which is commended to your prayerful consideration, is the Story of Consecrated Service for the Master.

From the bleak shores of Alaska to the tropical "Queen of the Antilles," from the busy New England factory villages to the shores of the broad Pacific, the "Word of Life" has been proclaimed by faithful missionaries, and the old Promise, ever new, "My Word shall not return unto Me void," has been verified.

In the sparsely-settled regions of the great West, struggling bands of earnest worshipers have been encouraged and stimulated by substantial gifts and loans to aid in the erection of meeting-houses.

Throughout the South Land at strategic points devoted teachers have patiently toiled that, for the great masses permeated by ignorance and superstition, there might be raised up preachers and teachers who shall be able to lift their race to a higher plane; and Christian women who shall illustrate what the Gospel and Christian education can do in elevating and refining the home.

The work of the year is another step in the great problem whose solution is the realization of the noble motto of our Society, "North America for Christ."

I bespeak your earnest attention as the reports of our work for the year shall be laid before you. I entreat your cordial sympathy as words of instruction and inspiration shall be brought to us, and may we sit together in heavenly places while the business of the Kingdom of Heaven shall be transacted.

Before proceeding to the program full of good things, I would like to call your attention to a few suggestions concerning

LOYALTY TO OUR DENOMINATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Our plan of organization may not be perfect, but let us never forget that these great missionary societies are the offspring of prayer and earnest consecration, and their foundations were laid by godly men and women "who counted not their lives dear unto

them." There are those who say—why have more than one society—why this waste in Administration? We may admit that our system of organization is not illustrated by some of the modern towns and cities, whose every street is a boulevard, and whose every corner measures a right angle. Some of our streets may be a little narrow, and some may not be parallel, but measured by the bank clearings and bond sales the old towns may well hold up their heads.

Some of us love these old streets because in the shadow of the ancient buildings men of God have walked and toiled. But true loyalty will not allow sentiment to stand in the way of real improvement. Our Nation's Capital furnishes illustration of a magnificent plan for the Model City. Ordinary streets and avenues intersect each other at right angles, and these furnish space and opportunity for the ordinary shop and residence.

At prominent and convenient points the great public buildings are located, and between these are laid broad and beautiful avenues affording easy and rapid transit between the departments, while on a commanding position the noble Capitol stands, approached from every point of the compass by ample boulevards. The rectangular plan seems to be interfered with, space appears to be lost at the intersection of avenues with streets, but the triangles furnish admirable bits of park and sites for noble monuments, which cheer alike the toiler on the common street and the occupants of carriages on the avenue.

True loyalty to our denominational organization does not stop with the organization. We are true to the Society because we are loyal to the cause represented and the work performed. Let us not shrink from changes if thereby the friction load may be reduced. We have our denominational city of organization. Some of the streets are a little narrow. At certain points, and possibly most convenient points, we have our Societies located. Each has its own surroundings. In approaching each other possibly the two sides of a triangle have to be traversed rather than the hypotenuse, involving waste of time and strength. How would it do to open up some broad boulevards, cutting the streets and avenues at any required angle, but bringing into closer and easier communication the great departments of our denominational work.

"Oh," but some will say, "what a waste of land! What a sacrifice of valuable building!" Yes, it is true. But this is the law of life. Nothing really good and useful is gained without sacrifice. Such an opening of communication may involve the utter destruction of some cherished plan, but the house thus destroyed

may give freedom of movement, resulting in plans far broader and more beneficial. Such a highway may even destroy some beautiful tree of method, but its destruction may afford uninterrupted view of each other's work, which may afford wonderful help in seeing eye to eye.

Loyalty to our denominational organization, which in reality is loyalty to the work to be accomplished, should lead us at once to open some direct avenues of communication, and the beneficial results would appear in several ways:

First: A better understanding of method and more uniform plan in securing offerings for the various Treasuries.

We are compelled to admit that we have not reached that complete understanding in plans and methods of beneficence that we all desire. It is a fact that plans are prosecuted by some of the Societies that, in the judgment of representatives of the other Societies, interfere with their plans. I am not now suggesting a specific remedial plan, but I am pleading earnestly for such highways of communication as shall make practically impossible a conflict of plans.

Second: A better understanding concerning the relative amounts required for the various departments of work.

We may not close our eyes to the fact that the old rebuke, "I am of Paul and I am of Apollos, etc.," is still applicable. In some churches and in some communities it is comparatively easy to secure offerings for Home Missions while the work of Foreign Missions secures scanty recognition. Surely this ought not so to be.

The question of duty should not be answered, neither should the conscience be educated by tracts and leaflets so manifestly partizan that, while the mathematics may be correct, the arguments are specious. The question of proper proportion and relative need is a large question, and the combined wisdom of all who have the interests of Christ's Kingdom on their hearts, aided by wisdom from on high, is not too ample to decide the question.

I do not here insist upon any specific course, but I do urge the importance of a careful consideration of the general principle, and a solution found by those who are large enough to see all sides of the question.

Third. A better understanding as to the relations of the Societies in the execution of their work.

Happily for us nothing has arisen, and possibly nothing may arise, that could not be easily and pleasantly adjusted, but I am

constrained to believe that a broader highway of understanding between the Societies might obviate some difficulties.

Suppose now that the avenues between the departments have been opened and the results I have hinted at have appeared, may we not hope that we shall be encouraged to build the central capitol with broad approaches from every quarter, with one Legislative head and one Supreme Court, and shall I say it—one common Treasury. I am not advocating a revolution, but I am suggesting a course which if successful will naturally lead to this result. If we could rise to the conception that the Field is the World we might be willing to consider Missions in the broadest sense.

Finally, if we would be loyal to our Societies, let us use them and work through them. It seems almost heartless to refuse to respond to an appeal from some distant church struggling to maintain its existence, but our Home Mission Society, with its organization, is in far better position to judge as to the merits of the case, and it would seem wiser to allow them to disburse the amount we are able to contribute for such work. In a recent appeal to a church in New England the reason was given for the appeal that there was no money in the Home Mission Church Edifice Fund, and so they had to appeal to churches. If these personal appeals continue to be heeded there would manifestly be little in our treasury to meet such cases.

We must never forget that our responsibility is primarily as individuals. We have to give an account each for himself, and not as Societies. Our denominational organization will be strong in exact proportion to the individual strength composing the Society.

If we would be loyal to our Societies let us first of all be loyal as individuals to our Divine Master.

A few days since some lines fell under my eye which seemed to me to express the sentiment which every earnest worker should possess:

THE JOY OF LIVING.

O give me the joy of living,
And some glorious work to do:
A spirit of thanksgiving,
With loyal heart and true;
Some pathway to make brighter,
Where tired feet now stray;
Some burden to make lighter
While 'tis day.

O give me the joy of living,
In the world where God lives, too;
And the blessed power of giving,
Where men have so much to do;
Let me strive where men are striving,
And help them up the steep;
May the trees I plant be thriving
While I sleep.

On the fields of the Master gleaning,
May my heart and hands be strong;
Let me know life's deepest meaning,
Let me sing life's sweetest song:
With some faithful hearts to love me,
Let me nobly do my best;
And, at last, with heaven above me,
Let me rest.

May the Master of Assemblies preside over our meetings, and may we each rise and go hence girded for our God-given task.

(4) After the distribution of the printed reports of the Board, the Corresponding Secretary, Gen. Morgan, called attention to some of the leading facts recorded in the report, as found on pages 23, 27, 28, 62, 66, 70, 109, 137, 171, 175 and 190.

(5) The Treasurer presented an abstract of his report, as follows:

The report is printed in full on pages 193-211, and those who wish to study it at all in detail would have to have the figures before them. I will, therefore, simply call attention to one or two principal items in round numbers. In giving a summary of the Treasurer's report, the Secretary, as you will see, on the ninth and following pages, groups all the receipts for all funds in one group and all the disbursements for all funds in another. This is done to give you a general view of the financial operations of the Society; in the actual work of the Society, we keep all the funds distinct that we may spend the money exactly as it is designated by the donors.

Taking up the General Fund first you will see that there was contributed by the denomination for general purposes (that is to say, with no designation), the sum of \$215,000 in round numbers. In addition to this the denomination gave the sum of

\$13,000, designated for educational work without specifying what school it was to be used in, and also the sum of \$32,000 designated for specified schools, a total in contributions from the living of approximately \$260,000. From legacies there were received, undesignated, \$32,000., and designated for education, \$1600. From the Annuity Funds, released by the death of annuitants, came \$13,000. Our incomes from Invested Funds and Publication Accounts amounted to \$43,000. These items, together with the amounts we had on hand at the beginning of the year, designated and undesignated, gave us a total for the various uses of the General Fund of \$394,000 in round numbers. From this must be deducted \$9600, which was designated for particular purposes and has not yet been applied to those purposes, leaving the total amount available for our work \$384,000.

Our disbursements have been as follows:

For Missionary Work.....	\$198,000
For Educational Work.....	135,000
For General Superintendents, Secretaries, etc.....	35,000
For Expenses of Publication, Administration, etc.....	30,000
Paid to Annuitants.....	18,000

Showing a total of.....\$416,000
Or \$32,000 more than we have received.

For the Church Edifice Gift Fund we received, in contributions from the living, \$22,600; \$2000 was added to this by legacies and about \$9000 more by interest and income from investments; and \$3800 from the Annuity Funds, released by the death of the donors. Four churches added \$900 to this fund, by returning to us the amounts which we had given them; and, adding the \$9000 which we had at the beginning of the year, we have had \$48,000 to disburse; \$31,000 has been paid to various churches, including \$11,000 sent to Santiago, Cuba, and \$1200 to Rio Piedras, Porto Rico.

The expense of administration in this department has been unavoidably large, amounting to \$4000, making a total of disbursements \$36,000, and leaving a balance in the treasury (the major portion of which is already appropriated or designated) of \$12,000.

For the Church Edifice Loan Fund we have received from contributions only \$1500. The fund has been increased, however, by income on investments amounting to \$6000 and we have also

had \$10,000 loans returned. These items, with the balance of \$3000 on hand last year, give us a total of \$21,000, \$17,000 of which has been disbursed, leaving a little over \$4000 in the treasury.

Turning now to the Investment Funds of the Society we find a very satisfactory condition of affairs. The denomination has shown praiseworthy generosity toward these funds, which appeal, I think, to us all as a permanent investment of our money for the cause of Christ.

For the Educational and Missionary Trust Funds we received \$79,000, giving us a total fund at the present time of over half a million.

For the Annuity Funds we received \$94,000, and have on hand at the present time a fund of \$422,000.

For the Church Edifice Trust Funds we received \$3700 and have on hand, at present, a fund of \$163,000. We also hold conditional funds subject to conditions imposed by the donors, amounting to \$8715, and the Loan Fund, to which reference has already been made, amounts to \$156,000. It will be seen that we are holding in trust for the denomination the sum of \$1,280,000, exclusive of the assets belonging to the General Fund and to the Church Edifice Fund, amounting together to \$82,000, and our school and mission properties, amounting approximately to another million.

Singing: "Onward, Christian Soldiers."

(6) The chairman named the following committees:

Committee of Arrangements.—Rev. D. D. MacLaurin, Michigan; Rev. D. B. Cheney, Wisconsin; Rev. Emory W. Hunt, Ohio.

Committee on Resolutions.—Rev. A. H. Strong, New York; Rev. J. B. Thomas, Massachusetts; Rev. W. P. Hellings, New York; Rev. P. L. Jones, Pennsylvania; S. J. Fox, Esq., Michigan; Rev. J. C. Grimmell, Ohio.

Committee on Enrollment.—Rev. R. W. Van Kirk, Maine; Rev. L. G. Clark, Montana; Rev. L. C. Belcher, Rhode Island; Rev. R. E. Manning, Illinois.

Committee on Nominations.—J. S. Dickerson, Esq., Illinois; Rev. C. A. Woody, Oregon; W. N. Hartshorn, Esq., Massachusetts; Rev. W. Buttrick, New York; Rev. T. Edwin Brown, Pennsylvania; Rev. W. C. Pratt, Iowa.

(7) Rev. Lemuel Moss of Pennsylvania offered the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The twentieth century since Christ's coming, and His announcement of the Kingdom of God should be marked by the renewed devotion and increased activity of His disciples; therefore,

Resolved, First, that a committee of seven be appointed by this Society, to be named by the president, and of which he shall be a member, to act with like committees from the other Baptist national societies, as a joint committee to devise and formulate a method whereby the Baptist people of the United States may most suitably commemorate the beginning of the new century of the Christian era.

Resolved, Second, that this joint committee, when they have agreed upon definite plans, shall publish their conclusions and suggestions through the denominational press and otherwise, not later than December next.

Resolved, Third, that at the next joint anniversaries of these Societies, in May, 1901, at least one session shall be given to hearing and discussing the report and recommendations of this joint committee.

(8) Voted to refer the same to the Committee on Resolutions. Later the following were named as the committee:

Rev. Lemuel Moss, Pennsylvania; President Augustus H. Strong, New York; President W. H. P. Faunce, Rhode Island; Rev. C. L. Barnes, of Pennsylvania; Rev. Geo. E. Horr, of Massachusetts; Rev. E. E. Chivers, of Illinois; E. M. Thresher, Esq., of Ohio.

(9) Address by W. G. Brimson, Esq., of Illinois, Vice-President of the Society. He said that the same year in which Professor Morse sent as the first message by telegraph the words, "What hath God wrought," this Society was organized. We are impelled to use the same words now. It was an opportune time for beginning our work. The B. & O. railroad had just begun the change of travel. Steam navigation had not come into favor much. The missionary of the Society was the advance guard of civilization. The earliest pioneers found him their companion and helper; 25,000 of these men have been sent out by this Society. The administrative force is not large, but compact and admirably adapted to conserve the work. If much more were contributed, the expense of management would not be increased.

We face the fact that in New England, where the supply used to come from, a foreign and Catholic population is now coming

into possession. It is said that there are ten million men in the United States indifferent to the claims of religion. The Spanish war has added another burden to our shoulders. And not only so, but the flag which stands for the highest type of citizenship has been made a protection for the infamous liquor traffic, and that trade has added a mountain of difficulty to our work.

The export of liquors to Cuba has increased thirty-four times its size in three years, and distilled liquors 132 times. In Porto Rico the export of beer increased to fifty-two times its size in three years, and distilled liquors in much greater proportions. We must enlarge our work. We must send out the men whom God calls, and trust God to stir the people to supply the means.

(10) Address by Rev. Myron W. Haynes, Illinois.

(11) Adjourned until 2 P.M., after benediction by Rev. A. J. Rowland, Pennsylvania.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

(12) Prayer by Rev. J. W. Conley, Illinois.

Address, E. M. Thresher, Esq., Ohio.

Singing: "The Light of the World is Jesus."

(13) Address, Rev. J. H. Scott, Indian Territory, President of Indian University.

(14) Address, by Rev. J. W. A. Stewart of New York, "A Plea for Educational Endowments."

(15) Rev. L. A. Crandall, Illinois, presented the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The President of this Society, Stephen Greene, Esq., in his annual address has emphasized the importance,

First. Of a better understanding of method and more uniform plan in securing offering for the various treasuries;

Second. A better understanding concerning the relative amounts required for the various departments of work;

Third. A better understanding as to the relation of the Societies in the execution of their work; therefore,

Resolved, That this Society respectfully request our sister Societies to join with us in appointing—at these anniversaries, if possible—a commission to consider the relative amounts which the denomination should be asked to furnish for our different

benevolent enterprises, and also to consider the practicability of more closely co-ordinating the different departments of our denominational work; and to make such other recommendations as in their judgment they may deem wise;

That this commission be composed of three representatives each from the Missionary Union, Home Mission Society, and Publication Society, and two representatives each from the Woman's Home Mission Society of the West, the Woman's Foreign Mission Society of the East, the Woman's American Home Mission Society of New England, and that this commission be requested to report at the anniversaries of 1901.

In the discussion that followed, Mr. Brooks of Michigan said, "Let it pass, but let each one be honorably free to give according to his own judgment."

Rev. J. W. Conley of Illinois expressed sympathy with the resolutions looking toward unification of our work.

Rev. Lemuel Moss of Pennsylvania inquired the difference between the work of this committee and the work of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

B. F. Dennisson, Esq., of Pennsylvania replied that it had no authority and instruction to suggest definite amounts and specific proportions.

Rev. Morrison of Illinois asked whether this meant to "suggest" or to "dictate" proportions.

Rev. Lemuel Moss of Pennsylvania inquired why the Committee on Systematic Benevolence could not be entrusted with this work.

Gen. Morgan replied that the Committee on Systematic Beneficence was made up of officers of the different societies, and hence could not deal with such a question. Their opinions would at once be subject to heavy discount, chargeable to their personal leaning toward their own Society. He favored the resolutions, but the committee should be outside the executive officers of the societies.

G. E. Stevens, Esq., Ohio, spoke favoring the resolutions.

Vote was then taken and the resolutions passed, with only one dissenting voice.

Later the following committee was appointed:

Stephen Greene, Esq., Massachusetts; Rev. L. A. Crandall, of Illinois; E. J. Brockett, Esq., of New Jersey.

(16) Returning to the discussion of the report, Rev. D. D. MacLaurin of Michigan spoke in high commendation of the work done at Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.

Rev. O. A. Williams, Minnesota, urged the endowment of schools for colored people.

Rev. G. W. Lasher, Ohio, gave personal testimony to the excellent results of the seminary work learned by him among the whites of the South.

Rev. A. C. Osborn, President Benedict College, spoke of the cordial relations existing between himself and the whites of the South, and the hearty sympathy he found among them.

Field Secretary Morehouse said a word about how to get the needed endowments for the schools.

It will not come by solicitation, but by the liberality of individuals having money. One woman had given Benedict College \$125,000. It must come from those who would endow a chair, or build a home for the President, or add \$5000 or \$10,000 as a memorial to a friend.

Rev. C. S. Morris (colored) told his experience in getting a Christian companion for his life from the seminary at Spelman. He had just returned from South Africa, and said he brought commendation of the school from there also.

He had been cordially received in the South. Both Gov. Northen of Georgia and Dr. Eaton of Louisville had honored his work and given him aid in it. Jesus is breaking down the barriers.

(17) Address by Rev. W. T. Stott, President Franklin College, Ind.

(18) The following by-law was presented and passed:

ART. VII. SALE AND CONVEYANCE OF REAL ESTATE.

The sale of any real estate belonging to the Society, situated in the State of New York, shall be authorized by a vote of the Exec-

utive Board thereof; and all deeds of conveyance, instruments and documents, conveying the title to the same, shall be executed by the Chairman of the Executive Board and the Treasurer of the Society.

(19) Adjourned to 8 P.M.

EVENING SESSION.

(20) The Society was convened at 8 P.M., and listened to an illustrated address by Rev. D. D. Proper of Iowa, on the work in the Far West.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 24TH.

(21) Society convened at 10:45 A.M. Scripture was read by John H. Chapman of Illinois, and prayer offered by Rev. A. Gaylord Slocum, President Kalamazoo College.

(22) Invitations for the meetings were read from the First Church, Philadelphia, and from Springfield, Mass., for 1901, and from Minneapolis for 1902.

Rev. A. J. Rowland of Pennsylvania reminded the Society that in San Francisco a resolution was passed last year giving the preference to Kansas City.

By unanimous consent the matter was laid on the table until afternoon.

(23) The resolutions of Rev. L. A. Crandall were referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Singing.

(24) Address by Rev. T. J. Villers of Indiana, "Immigration a Providential Opportunity for Evangelization."

Singing: "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

(25) Address, Professor J. Hope (colored) of Georgia.

Singing.

(26) Address, Mrs. Wm. Scott (colored), "A Plea for My People."

(27) Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

Your committee present the following series of resolutions

for your consideration, in hope that they may have your unanimous approval:

1. RESOLVED, That we express our gratitude to Almighty God for the prosperity of the work during the past year, for the faithful service of our officers and missionaries, and specially for the marked growth of our Educational Endowments and Permanent Trust Funds, together with our earnest hope that these Endowments and Trust Funds may be so largely increased during these present years of plenty that the possible years of famine that may follow may be wisely provided for.

2. RESOLVED, That we welcome the coöperation of our Young People's Societies, and regard the diffusion of information with regard to our work among the young members of our churches, and the cultivation of their interest and their contributions, as demanding constant attention on the part of our officers and missionaries, and as one of the best indications of the prosperity of our work in the future.

3. RESOLVED, That while we rejoice in the decision of our government to withdraw support from denominational schools among the Indians and to provide for all our wards an unsectarian education, we urge that there shall be no backward step in this matter, and that the principle of separation of Church and State shall be the rule of our policy permanently and universally.

4. RESOLVED, That we recommend to all our people the careful consideration of our obligations to our neighboring Republic of Mexico, and express the hope that Christian liberality may speedily provide the means for establishing in the City of Mexico a Training School for native Christian workers, who may do the work for their fellow citizens, as well as for Cuba and Porto Rico, that the missionary from the United States can never do.

5. RESOLVED, That we deplore the introduction into our new possessions, where we have military authority, of vastly increased quantities of intoxicating liquors, and that we demand of our government that it take every practicable means of preventing the indiscriminate and devastating sale of ardent spirits in the camps of our soldiers and among the new peoples who are to be taught civilization by our example.

6. WHEREAS, The twentieth century since Christ's coming and his announcement of the Kingdom of God should be marked by the renewed devotion and increased activity of his disciples; therefore,

Resolved, First. that a committee of seven be appointed by this Society, to be named by the President, and of which he shall

be a member, to act with like committees from the other Baptist national societies, as a joint committee to devise and formulate a method whereby the Baptist people of the United States may most suitably commemorate the beginning of the new century of the Christian era.

Resolved, Secondly, that this joint committee, when they have agreed upon definite plans, shall publish their conclusions and suggestions through the denominational press and otherwise, not later than December next.

Resolved, Thirdly, that at the next joint anniversaries of these societies, in May, 1901, at least one session shall be given to hearing and discussing the report and recommendation of this joint committee.

Respectfully submitted,
AUGUSTUS H. STRONG,
JESSE B. THOMAS,
W. P. HELLINGS,
PHILIP L. JONES,
ALANSON J. FOX,
J. C. GRIMMELL,
Committee.

(28) Voted to adopt the resolutions.

Singing: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Adjourned until 2 P.M. Benediction by Rev. R. P. Johnston of Missouri.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

(29) Society convened at 2:15 P.M.

Prayer, Rev. Brown of Michigan.

Singing: "Nearer, My God, to Thee."

(30) Address by Rev. T. M. Shanafelt, South Dakota, "Church Building."

Singing.

(31) The matter of invitations was taken from the table.

Rev. J. R. Brown of Kansas City said the World's Fair, and the Southern Convention, would be in Kansas City in 1903, and the church there would withdraw its invitation for 1901 and substitute an invitation for 1903.

Rev. R. P. Johnston of St. Louis favored the change, and said we wanted a pan-Baptist meeting there at that time.

(32) Invitations were referred to the Executive Board.

(33) Address by Mrs. M. C. Reynolds, Mrs. E. G. Wheeler and Mrs. Alice B. Coleman on "Women's Work in Home Missions."

Singing.

(34) Address by Rev. N. B. Rairden, on "The Uncultivated West."

(35) Committee on Nominations reported as follows. Tellers were appointed and later in the session the ticket as presented was elected by ballot:

For President: E. M. Thresher, Esq., Ohio.

For Vice-Presidents: Andrew McLeish, Esq., Illinois; J. J. Estey, Esq., Vermont.

For Treasurer: Frank R. Hathaway, Esq., New York.

For Auditors: Edgar L. Marston, Esq., New York; L. F. Requa, Esq., New York.

Corresponding Secretary: Rev. Thomas J. Morgan, New York.

Recording Secretary: Rev. Alvah S. Hobart, New York.

Managers—Class III., term expiring in 1903: L. H. Blackman, Esq., New York; D. L. Wilcox, Esq., New York; Edward J. Brockett, Esq., New Jersey; C. R. Hetfield, Esq., New York; C. B. Canfield, Esq., New York; Rev. E. A. Knapp, New York.

To Fill Vacancies in Class I.: Mortimer J. Ennis, Esq., New York; Rev. John Humpstone, New York.

To Fill Vacancies in Class II.: Rev. Wm. C. Bitting, New York.

(36) Field Secretary Morehouse presented a request from the National Committee on Federation of Churches that this Society appoint a committee on Comity and Federation, whose work would be to confer with similar committees from other denominations looking toward closer coöperative relations of the Protestant evangelical churches.

(37) Voted to appoint such a committee. Later the following were appointed:

Rev. W. C. P. Rhoades, New York; Rev. Alvah S. Hobart, New York; Rev. Edward Judson, New York.

Adjourned to 8 P.M.

THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

(38) Society convened at 8 P.M.

Singing.

Prayer, Rev. T. Edwin Brown of Pennsylvania.

(39) On motion of Rev. Warren G. Partridge of Ohio, voted that messages be sent to the Methodist Conference and the Presbyterian Assembly, now in session at Chicago and St. Louis, respectively. Cordial responses to both these messages were received as follows:

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 26th, 1900.

To the Baptist Societies, Detroit, Mich.:

Your greetings to the Presbyterian General Assembly cordially reciprocated. Read Hebrews thirteen: twenty, twenty-one.

ROBERT H. ROBERTS,
Stated Clerk.

CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 28, 1900.

S. Greene, Esq., Pres. Am. Baptist Home Mission Soc'y, Detroit:
Fraternal greetings received with gladness. See Ephesians six, twenty-three.

C. W. MILLARD,
For Meth. Gen. Conf.

(40) Committee on Enrollment reported as follows:

Life members present	107
Annual members	51
Delegates	165
Visitors	202
Total	525

These came from States as follows:

Vermont, 2; Michigan, 209; Illinois, 80; Ohio, 65; New York, 17; Indiana, 20; Iowa, 15; Massachusetts, 18; Wisconsin, 12; Pennsylvania, 10; Kansas, 7; New Jersey, 9; Canada, 8; Colorado, 5; Nebraska, 5; Montana, 2; Rhode Island, 3; Missouri, 4; Connecticut, 2; Indian Territory, 1; Oregon, 1; South Carolina, 1; Burmah, 3; Maine, 2; South Dakota, 2; Tennessee, 2; Africa, 1; New Hampshire, 3.

(41) Address by Rev. H. R. Moseley, Santiago, Cuba, on "Cuba."

(42) Address by Rev. H. P. McCormick of San Juan, Porto Rico, on "Porto Rico."

(43) Voted to accept the report of the board.

(44) Voted that the hearty thanks of the Society be extended to the Woodward Avenue Baptist Church for the use of their beautiful house of worship for the meetings of the Society, and to the Baptist brotherhood of Detroit for their cordial welcome and hearty coöperation in making complete arrangements for the convenience and pleasure of those in attendance at the meetings of the Society; also to the railroads for transportation and to the press for their reports of the meetings.

(45) President Greene introduced the President elect, E. M. Thresher, Esq., of Ohio.

(46) Society adjourned after benediction by Rev. C. A. Woody of Oregon.

(47) On Sunday morning the Anniversary sermon before the Home Mission Society, Missionary Union and Publication Society was preached by Rev. Dr. O. P. Gifford of New York. In the evening there was held a mass meeting, which was addressed by Rev. Dr. Madison C. Peters of New York City, Rev. Dr. Wayland Hoyt, Pennsylvania, and by Rev. Dr. Theo. G. Soares of Illinois.

ALVAH S. HOBART,
Recording Secretary.

THE SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE
American Baptist Home Mission Society.

PRESENTED AT DETROIT, MICH., MAY 23, 1900.

The Executive Board submits to the American Baptist Home Mission Society its Sixty-eighth Annual Report for the year ending March 31, 1900. It includes reports from the Treasurer, the Field Secretary, District Secretaries, Superintendents of Missions, General Missionaries, Superintendent of Education and Educational Agents, together with statistical tables.

OBITUARY.

During the year just closed death has claimed a number of those who have been closely identified with the work of the Society, among whom may be mentioned the following:

Dea. D. A. Waterman died at his home in Yonkers, N. Y., on Sunday, April 2, 1899. Mr. Waterman was born at Sodus, N. Y., in 1836; he began his business career when 14 years of age, and occupied various positions of trust and responsibility which he filled with great fidelity and ability. In 1892 he became Treasurer of the Michigan Central Railroad, and was in the active discharge of the duties of that office when his fatal illness came.

Mr. Waterman was always active in religious work, serving as Deacon in Baptist churches in Toledo, Detroit and Yonkers;

at one time he was member of the Board of the American Baptist Publication Society, and for several years had been a member of the Board of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and a member of its Finance Committee. After the death of the late Treasurer, J. G. Snelling, Mr. Waterman was elected Treasurer of the Society, without salary; he gave attention to the general oversight of the affairs of the office, while its active duties were performed by an assistant. He voluntarily retired from the office, in order that there might be elected one who should give his entire time to the transaction of its important duties.

C. H. Corey, D.D., President of the Richmond Theological Seminary, died at his home in Seabrook, N. H., September 5, 1899. He was born in Canada in 1834, graduated at the Acadia University in 1858 and from Newton Theological Seminary in 1861; after serving as pastor at Seabrook, N. H., from 1861-4 he entered the service of the Home Mission Society in 1865 at Charleston, S. C.; in 1867 he was made President of the Institute at Augusta, Ga., and in July, 1868, President of the Theological Seminary in Richmond, a position of responsibility which he filled with great acceptance for thirty-one years. His scholarly habits, his deep religious character, his geniality, his thorough honesty, made a profound impression upon multitudes of students who came under his instruction, and won for him the sincere respect and admiration of all classes of people with whom he came in contact.

Daniel Sharp Ford, Esq., was born in Cambridge, Mass., in 1822 and died in Boston December 24, 1899. Converted at the age of thirty years he began a phenomenal career of Christian activity and business success; as the editor and publisher of *The Youth's Companion*, he exerted a profound, wide and wholesome influence upon the young people of the nation. By thrift, industry and sagacity he accumulated a large fortune, the greater portion of which he left for charitable, religious and missionary purposes. It is estimated that the amount which will come into the Treasury of the Home Mission Society from his estate when

it is finally settled will approximate a quarter of a million dollars, the largest legacy ever received from any single individual.

Edward Cushing Mitchell, D.D., born in Bridgewater, Mass., September 20, 1829, and died at his home in Leland University, New Orleans, February 28, 1900. Dr. Mitchell was a graduate of Waterville College, Maine, and of Newton Theological Seminary. He served as pastor in Calais, Maine, Brockport, N. Y., and Rockford, Ill., from 1863-70; he taught in Shurtleff College from 1870-77; in the Theological Seminary at Chicago in 1877-8, in Regents' Park College, London, in 1878-82; he was President of the Theological School in Paris, France; in 1884 and 1885 he was President of Roger Williams University, Nashville, and from 1887 until his death, a period of thirteen years, he was President of Leland University of New Orleans. He was industrious, scholarly and painstaking in his work; a man of beautiful Christian spirit, exerting by his life as well as by his teaching a noble influence upon all who came within his sphere.

Among the missionaries who served the Society faithfully and who have passed away during the year are Revs. Henry Becker, at Allegheny, Pa., June, 1899; J. E. Lemar, at Fredonia, Kansas, September 16, 1899; E. N. Elton, who died at Salubria, Idaho, October 29, 1899; B. F. Hampton, at Nampa, Idaho, November 12, 1899; and N. Hayland, at Tacoma, Washington, March 14, 1900.

I. FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

The American Baptist Home Mission Society is simply the agent of those who desire to work through it as an organization for the special purpose of promoting the cause of Christianity on the American continent. Your Board has steadily aimed to ascertain the Divine Will and to follow the Divine Leadership in the work it has undertaken to do, and it aims to present to the denomination for support the varied classes of its work, appealing only to the highest motives, obedience to the Great Head of the Church, an absorbing love of souls, loyalty to the Truth as they understand it, and the broadest patriotism: it seeks to promote the

common weal by fostering intelligence and religion. The financial needs of the Society may be classified as follows:

I. CURRENT MISSIONARY WORK.

This involves the support of General State Missionaries, District Missionaries, Evangelists and Missionary Pastors. This work is prosecuted not only in the vast region of Western States and Territories, but also among the score of foreign populations in many of the older States; it embraces Alaska and Mexico, Eastern Cuba and Porto Rico. It ranges from the primitive work of the pioneer missionary traveling on foot, on horseback, in gospel wagons or in the railway train, sowing the good seed by the wayside, in mining camps and in frontier settlements, to that of the City Missionary, toiling in the heart of the great centers of the population. The burden of the Society's endeavor is to send the living preacher to proclaim the Gospel, organize Sunday Schools, and to establish and build up that most permanent and beneficent of all Divine agencies for promoting human well being, the independent, self-sustaining, aggressive, missionary Baptist Church.

II. EDUCATIONAL WORK.

It supports either wholly or in part thirty institutions of learning, ranging from schools of primary grade up to the University with its professional departments. This work of Christian education carried on primarily for the benefit of our vast Negro population, of Indians, Chinese and other needy people, is one of great urgency and of sufficient magnitude to occupy the entire time and resources of an independent organization.

III. CHURCH ERECTION.

To aid in supplying churches with suitable places of worship is second only to supplying a living ministry. The power and influence of the missionary is necessarily largely determined by the

facilities which he has of gathering the people together for religious services. It is safe to say that the Society might with very great profit to the denomination, expend in wise gifts, ten times the amount of money that it now is able to distribute in aiding in the erection of meeting houses.

IV. ADMINISTRATION.

To prosecute this three-fold work of Missions, Education and Church Erection, necessitates a large force of expert workers; administration, supervision and the collection of necessary funds are absolutely essential to any efficiency in missionary or educational operations. It is no more impossible to have a government without taxation than to carry on missionary work without administrative expenses. We believe that the most thorough examination of the work done by the Home Mission Society for sixty-eight years would show that it has been accomplished with rare economy and with the minimum of waste.

V. SCHOOL EQUIPMENT.

The schools that have been established and fostered by the Society require every year the expenditure of considerable sums of money for the purchase of additional ground, the erection of suitable buildings, the maintenance of proper insurance and the keeping of the buildings in repair, besides the renewal of furniture, apparatus, etc.

VI. ENDOWMENTS.

There is a growing need for endowment for these institutions. The history of Baptist institutions of learning, Academies, Colleges, Universities, Theological Seminaries, established beyond controversy the fact that without large and permanent endowments they cannot prosper. The concerted movement now in progress to add very largely to the already considerable endowments of the older Baptist institutions of the country, shows the

need and importance of these permanent funds. The same reasons which may be urged for the endowment of a Baptist school in the North are equally valid for the endowment of a Baptist school in the South, established by the Home Mission Society, and maintained for the benefit of the Negroes. If two million dollars could be at once secured as an endowment fund for these institutions it would not only ensure their future permanence, but would enable the Society to render its educational work vastly more efficient than it now is.

The growth of the Educational Endowment during ten years is shown by the following table, which gives the amount on hand at the end of each fiscal year, March 31st:

1890.....	\$132,258 22
1891.....	151,953 00
1892.....	165,325 45
1893.....	169,544 62
1894.....	174,605 15
1895.....	180,356 22
1896.....	187,719 91
1897.....	191,064 87
1898.....	196,545 09
1899.....	215,470 62
1900.....	274,352 11

VII. PERMANENT TRUST FUNDS.

It is not desirable that the Home Mission Society should be entirely relieved from the necessity of appealing for missionary funds, and thus sustaining vital relations with individual Christians and Churches and discharging one of its great functions of cultivating the grace of giving. Church life in order to be healthy must be permeated by the missionary spirit: nevertheless, permanent trust funds, the interest of which can be used for administrative and other current expenses serve to give steadiness to the work of the Society and help lighten the burden of care and responsibility which always presses heavily upon the administrative officers.

In connection with this matter of endowments and of permanent trust funds attention is earnestly invited to the fact that the prevailing rate of interest on investments has of late years steadily declined, so that unless there is a corresponding increase of the principal of these permanent trust funds the Society will suffer a serious loss in its annual income.

The increase in the amount of Permanent Trust Funds, the income of which is available for general purposes, is exhibited by the following table showing the amount of the fund at the end of each fiscal year, March 31st:

1890.....	\$138,928 03
1891.....	142,788 11
1892.....	149,873 82
1893.....	171,679 03
1894.....	173,779 03
1895.....	184,079 03
1896.....	184,079 03
1897.....	192,701 22
1898.....	197,498 90
1899.....	234,723 22
1900.....	244,904 90

ANNUITIES.

For more than thirty years your Board has been receiving from individuals contributions for its missionary and educational work on condition that during the lifetime of the givers it should return to them in annual payments a small income. The wisdom of the plan has been vindicated by its success.

By an agreement entered into between representatives of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, the American Baptist Missionary Union and the American Baptist Publication Society, there has been established a uniform rate of annuity, based upon the age of the annuitant. The rate is somewhat lower than that heretofore paid because we are obliged to accept a lower rate of interest for these funds when invested in safe securities.

LEGACIES.

The steady stream of beneficence flowing into our treasury year by year from legacies is an indication at once of the hold which the great cause of Home Missions has upon the hearts of the people, and upon their confidence in this Society as a trustworthy agent for the ultimate administration of their beneficence. Your Board regards itself as in the strictest sense a trustee, bound by the most sacred obligations to receive, protect and administer legacies in strict conformity with the purpose of the donors as expressed in their last will and testament.

The total amount of money received for all purposes, including current expenses, Permanent Trust Funds, Educational Endowments and Church Edifice work, from legacies during the present decade, is shown by the following table exhibiting the amount received for each fiscal year, ending March 31st:

1891.....	\$57,472 08
1892.....	183,305 50
1893.....	133,614 40
1894.....	45,559 32
1895.....	163,851 70
1896.....	172,760 82
1897.....	59,003 67
1898.....	41,541 65
1899.....	99,288 82
1900.....	109,119 79

Making an aggregate for ten years of \$1,065,517.75.

Being an annual average from this source of \$106,551.77.

The wide discussion of Christian stewardship and systematic beneficence, which has been a characteristic feature of denominational life during the last four years, has been productive of very wholesome results and has aided in putting the cause of missions upon a sounder and more enduring basis than ever before. Multitudes of churches and of individuals have come to recognize not only the obligation to use money religiously, but the sweet privi-

lege of coöperating with the Master by the use of their means in promoting the progress of His kingdom on the earth.

There is a reasonable expectation that the period of material prosperity upon which the country has so fully entered and which gives promise of abiding, will witness a steady and gratifying increase in the amount of money given to missions. The receipts of this Society, both for its current work and for the increase of its permanent funds, ought to be very marked, and doubtless will be. This is a favorable time to create endowments.

While we are obliged to report a deficit at the close of our fiscal year, March 31st, 1900, we are glad to be able to say that on the whole the year has been one of great prosperity.

RECEIPTS.

Contributions have been received from forty-eight of the States and Territories of our own country, and from Alaska, British Columbia, Mexico and Japan.

The total receipts for the year, from all sources, and for all the purposes of the Society, both designated and general, have been \$580,891.61.

These may be classified as follows:

I.—For General Purposes—

1. From Contributions of Churches, Sunday Schools and Individuals:	
(a) Undesignated	\$216,340 02
(b) For Education.....	13,152 51
(c) For Particular Schools.....	32,758 94
2. From Legacies:	
(a) Undesignated	31,954 70
(b) For Education.....	1,626 75
3. From Annuity Funds, released by death of donors	13,600 00
4. From Income on Invested Funds and Publication Account	43,264 99
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	\$352,697 91

II. For Permanent Trust Fund—

1. From Contributions:

(a) Undesignated \$605 00

(b) Designated 7,176 25

2. From Annuity Funds Released..... 1,500 00

3. From Legacies:

(a) Undesignated 9,576 68

(b) Designated 60,205 24

\$79,063 17*III. For Annuity Funds—*

1. From Contributions \$93,810 54

2. From Increase in Invested Fund.... 232 50

\$94,043 04*IV. For Conditional Fund—*

1. Contributions, designated 5,040 00

V. Church Edifice Funds—

1. From Contributions:

(a) For Gift Fund..... \$22,601 50

(b) For Loan Fund..... 1,488 02

2. From Legacies:

(a) For Gift Fund..... 2,189 00

(b) For Church Edifice Trust Fund. 3,717 42

3. From Annuity Fund Released:

(a) For Gift Fund..... 3,800 00

4. From Investments:

(a) For Gift Fund..... 9,370 67

(b) For Loan Fund..... 6,634 86

5. From Gifts Returned..... 963 47

\$50,764 94

\$581,609 06Balance on hand at the beginning of the
year:

General Fund \$5,890 29

Emergency Fund 36,126 62

Church Edifice Gift Fund..... 9,470 63

\$51,487 54

Debt 32,200 90

\$665,297 50

DISBURSEMENTS.

I. General Purposes—

1. For Missions	\$198,781 63
2. For Schools	135,511 85
3. General Superintendents	10,642 29
4. District Secretaries	25,077 44
5. Home Office	15,549 68
6. Publication Account	12,347 50

\$57,941 68

Deduct Amount Paid by Church Edi-

fice Funds included below..... 6,906 76

7. Paid to Annuitants.....	51,034 92
8. Miscellaneous	18,692 66
	2,608 89

\$417,272 24

II. Church Edifice Funds—

1. Gifts to Churches.....	\$31,484 05
2. Expenditures:	
(a) Gift Fund.....	4,631 74
(b) Loan Fund	4,725 73
3. Interest:	
(a) Loan Fund.....	597 00

41,438 52

\$458,710 76

Added to Permanent Trust Funds:

For General Purposes.....	\$10,181 68
For Schools and Education.....	68,881 49
Annuity Fund	94,043 04
For Church Edifice Gift Fund.....	3,717 42
For Church Edifice Loan Fund.....	2,800 15
Conditional Fund	5,040 00

\$184,663 78

Cash on Hand, designated..... \$9,643 48

Cash in Gift Fund..... 12,279 48

21,922 96

\$665,297 50

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

The following table gives the districts and the names and addresses of the Secretaries:

1. NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT.—F. T. Hazelwood, D.D., Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
2. NEW YORK DISTRICT.—Dwight Spencer, D.D., 111 Fifth avenue, New York City.
3. PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—E. B. Palmer, D.D., 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.
4. LAKE DISTRICT.—E. H. E. Jameson, D.D., 106 Smith avenue, Detroit, Mich.
5. WABASH DISTRICT.—Rev. S. C. Fulmer, 292 East Fifteenth street, Indianapolis, Ind.
6. CHICAGO DISTRICT.—J. B. Thomas, D.D., Monon Building, 324 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.
7. UPPER MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT.—O. A. Williams, D.D., 702 Lumber Exchange, Minneapolis, Minn.
8. CENTRAL DISTRICT.—Rev. D. D. Proper, Des Moines, Iowa.
9. PACIFIC DISTRICT.—C. A. Woody, D.D., 175 Fourth street, Portland, Ore.
10. KANAWHA DISTRICT.—W. E. Powell, D.D., Parkersburg, W. Va.

The reports of the Secretaries follow:

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT.

F. T. HAZELWOOD, D.D., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The gathering of money for the past year has been attended with an unusual combination of difficulties:

In the first place, the fact that the Society was able to close the year preceding with a balance in its treasury has worked against us. It did not matter that this balance represented a part only of an annuity, the whole of which we had a right to expect to use in advanced work in our mission fields, and that without it we would have closed the year 1898-'99 with a considerable deficit. Not a few individuals said to me, when handing in their offerings for that year, "I am not going to give you so much this year as last; you do not need it." And at the beginning of the new year and far into it the same impression prevailed, that the Home Mission Society was in good condition, and did not especially need the help of the denomination.

In the second place, the number of deaths of individual givers has been during the year unusually large. I never before knew so many of those who, in the closing of the year were accustomed to hand in their personal gifts, to cease from the living within the same year. A list of such would disclose the fact that the Society is the loser to a considerable amount from this source alone. It is a noteworthy fact also that in almost, if not all of these instances death overtook those who gave while living, and made no provision for gifts from their estates after death.

In the third place, this is one of the rare occasions, when the month of March has yielded a very small amount in legacies, less than one thousand dollars. In almost every other year, for a long time, something substantial has been added to the receipts of the Society from this source alone. As will be seen below, the amount from legacies is considerable, but less than ten thousand dollars from this source were available for the general work of the Society, as the bequests were for permanent funds and specific work.

In the fourth place, changes in the method of collecting funds for missions have operated against us. In instances which could be cited, the old method, which had for years yielded a certain return, has been superseded by a new method, which has postponed the offering for Home Missions to the months of April, May and June, and even later into the new year. We suffered somewhat from this source the year before; we are likely to suffer the coming year, as the changing of a method of giving sometimes proves to be the destruction of the habit of giving. Experience teaches us that, when the collection is carried forward into a new year, we seldom, if ever, make it up. The gifts are lost for the whole year.

In the fifth place, one of the most embarrassing difficulties in collection the past year has been the pledging of individuals, Sunday Schools, Young People's Societies and churches to the support of other work to such an extent as has made it impossible for them to contribute anything, or at the best more than the merest pittance, for the work of The American Baptist Home Mission Society, a statement which is not rashly made, but in accordance with testimony in my possession. This is lamentably true of the Young People's Societies and Sunday Schools in New England.

In the sixth place, there has been the past year an increasing number of claimants for the beneficence of the churches of the New England District. Boston is the objective point of men from the South and West, who come with causes of all kinds, some of which have real and intensified merit. Many of our best givers give from principle, and in proportion to income, making up their budget for beneficence as conscientiously as in any other department of expenditure. They have just so much to distribute, and hence do not always give the same amount to us, if they are confronted with the importunities of other objects apparently deserv-

ing. The past year has been marked by a large number of such appeals; great interests have depended upon the raising of large sums of money, interests vital to the churches and educational institutions of the denomination. It was no more than fair that others should have their chance.

In the seventh place, a large number of our strongest churches in this District have been pastorless the past year. The absence of the pastor often makes a great difference with the collection. In some cases no attention was paid to the matter, and in other cases no collection was taken until within two or three weeks of the close of the fiscal year, and in some cases, after the collection had been taken for one of the Societies, it was thought best to defer the collection for the Home Mission Society until later, thus cutting off the contribution for the year. In three pastorless churches alone the loss from this source, compared with the contributions of last year, when pastors were with them, was over \$1600.00.

I cannot forbear to give my tribute of praise, in behalf of the Society, to those noble men and women, who have now for so many years remembered us in their annual giving for missions, even though they may not have given so much this year as in other years.

It is gratifying to know that some of the churches have increased their offerings over those of the year before. Increasing prosperity has shown itself in the giving of some of the first fruits to the cause of Christ.

I am indebted to the pastors for many courtesies and much help. Some of them have increased the offerings of their people by a wise and business-like management. The pastor who has wholly neglected the claim of missions has not been much in evidence. Now and then, it is true, one is found who leaves a church with no missionary record, and, taking a church with a missionary record, allows its interest to die out for lack of pastoral care; but, on the other hand, it has been a delight to find cases, where the successor of such a man has given almost his first attention to the awakening of the missionary love and devotion. It is needless to say that such a ministry has invariably resulted in an advancement of the financial, as well as the spiritual, interests of the church itself. For, though oft quoted, it is ever worthy of note, that "there is that scattereth and yet increaseth, and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty."

The following is the financial table for the year:

Total contributions from the churches	\$28,082 43
Total contributions from individuals	40,786 25
Total contributions from Sunday Schools	1,396 87
Total contributions from Young People's Societies.....	673 84
Total contributions from legacies	76,899 12
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Total from all sources	\$147,838 51
Total from all sources last year	92,454 00

Increase this year	\$55,384 51
Total from the churches this year	\$28,082 43
Total from the churches last year	27,057 93
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Increase this year	\$1,024 50
Total from individuals this year	\$40,786 25
Total from individuals last year	27,089 24
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Increase this year	\$13,697 01
Total from Sunday Schools last year	\$1,626 71
Total from Sunday Schools this year	1,396 87
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Decrease this year	\$229 84
Total from Young People's Societies this year	\$673 84
Total from Young People's Societies last year	642 36
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Increase this year	\$31 48
Total from legacies this year	\$76,899 12
Total from legacies last year	36,037 76
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Increase this year	\$40,861 36
Of the contributions of individuals there were for Conditional Trust Funds this year	\$28,250 00
Last year	10,000 00
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Increase this year	\$18,250 00
Of the gifts by legacy there were this year for Permanent Trust Funds	\$68,230 08
Last year	5,350 00
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Increase this year	\$62,880 08
There has been received from this District at the Southern Schools of the Society this year	\$3,025 76
Last year	2,963 33
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Increase	\$62 43

The following tables of the collections for the past ten years may be of interest to the friends of the Society:

	Churches.	Individuals	Sunday Schools
1890-91	\$29,042 16	\$26,257 05	\$2,289 51
1891-92	27,194 43	10,895 67	2,132 20
1892-93	30,442 50	19,648 52	1,453 04
1893-94	28,169 40	12,859 14	1,448 73
1894-95	30,715 56	19,899 43	1,787 76
1895-96	30,213 77	23,061 84	1,595 83
1896-97	28,429 02	18,527 61	1,464 14
1897-98	30,146 31	49,266 64	1,790 59
1898-99	27,057 93	27,089 24	1,626 71
1899-00	28,082 43	40,786 25	1,396 87
Totals	\$289,493 51	\$248,291 39	\$16,985 38
	Legacies.	Y. P. Societies.	Totals.
1890-91	\$36,879 19	\$679 15	\$95,147 06
1891-92	52,402 84	497 10	93,122 24
1892-93	79,370 77	296 52	131,211 35
1893-94	22,489 08	478 44	65,444 79
1894-95	109,356 60	650 95	162,410 30
1895-96	147,072 66	888 27	202,832 37
1896-97	34,314 05	893 57	83,628 39
1897-98	27,186 24	862 86	109,252 64
1898-99	36,037 76	642 36	92,454 00
1899-00	76,899 12	673 84	147,838 51
Totals	\$622,008 31	\$6,563 06	\$1,183,341 65

Of the above, individuals and legacies have contributed to the Permanent and Conditional Trust Funds, \$344,583.38. And from \$2000 to \$3000 a year have been received at the Southern schools of the Society.

NEW YORK DISTRICT.

NEW YORK AND NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, DWIGHT SPENCER, D.D., SECRETARY,
NEW YORK CITY.

The district comprises the State of New York and three associations in Northern New Jersey. In the three New Jersey Associations there are ninety-nine churches, and in New York 961, making the whole number in the District 1060.

As will be seen from the following financial statement, the year has been one of marked prosperity, the contributions having been largely in excess of those of former years.

RECEIPTS FROM NEW JERSEY.

69 Churches contributed	\$4,481 89	
17 Sunday Schools contributed	427 33	
11 Young People's Societies contributed	146 31	
1 Women's Society contributed	11 00	
17 Individuals contributed	767 26	
	<hr/>	\$5,833 79

RECEIPTS FROM NEW YORK.

546 Churches contributed	\$26,464 32	
137 Sunday Schools contributed	1,424 62	
68 Young People's Societies contributed	1,134 65	
7 Women's Societies contributed	141 90	
122 Individuals contributed	70,229 64	
17 Legacies amounted to	18,191 53	
	<hr/>	\$117,586 66
Trust and annuity funds from New Jersey.....	\$29,500 00	
Trust and annuity funds from New York.....	10,749 50	
	<hr/>	\$40,249 50
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Total amount from District.....		\$163,669 95

RECEIPTS FROM NEW YORK FOR SOCIETY'S IMMEDIATE USE, COMPARED WITH
THOSE OF LAST YEAR.

Churches contributed this year	\$26,464 32	
Churches contributed last year	23,020 17	
Gain this year	<hr/>	\$3,444 15
137 Sunday Schools contributed this year	\$1,424 62	
99 Sunday Schools contributed last year	1,119 62	
Gain this year	<hr/>	305 00
68 Young People's Societies this year	\$1,134 65	
88 Young People's Societies last year	604 20	
Gain this year	<hr/>	530 45
7 Women's Societies this year	\$141 90	
16 Women's Societies last year	217 79	
Loss this year	<hr/>	75 89
122 Individual contributions this year.....	\$70,229 64	
88 Individual contributions last year	52,597 50	
Gain this year	<hr/>	17,632 14

Legacies this year	\$18,191 53	
Legacies last year	4,809 68	
Gain this year	—————	13,381 85
Total of gains over losses		\$35,217 70

It should be stated in explanation of these figures that the number of Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies reported as contributing represents only a part of those actually giving. Many Schools and Societies contribute through the churches with which they are connected, and hence the number and amount cannot be ascertained. The plan for these organizations to contribute at the same time as the churches cannot be too highly commended, but the Secretary is convinced that a published recognition of the amounts contributed would help to increase the interest of the children and young people in the Society's work, and stimulate to larger giving.

The increase in the amount contributed by the churches is peculiarly interesting from the fact that while there has been a large falling off in the contributions of some of the larger city churches, the deficiency has been so much more than made up by the increased giving of churches in the smaller towns. This shows that the systematic work among the country and village churches, which the Secretary has been doing, is bearing fruit. The question will naturally be asked why it is, that, with all the work being done and the missionary literature that is being distributed, there are still so many churches that give nothing. Taking from the total number of churches in the District (1060), the German churches that cannot through the German Conference (26), the colored churches that cannot at present be counted on (27), the churches reporting only from seven to fifty members, that can only give small amounts (224), the churches actually contributing (615), and we still have 168 churches of more than fifty members each, that give nothing. From his twelve years' experience among the churches both East and West, the Secretary is convinced that the failure on the part of these churches to join in the great movement the denomination is making for the evangelization of the destitute millions in our country can be traced, in most instances, to the indifference of their pastors.

The Secretary takes but small credit to himself for the enlarged income of the present year. First of all he has had the hearty coöperation of the pastors of the contributing churches, and then the officers at the rooms have ever been ready to visit churches and aid in many other ways in bringing about the grand result.

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT: PENNSYLVANIA, SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY, DELAWARE, MARYLAND, AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

E. B. PALMER, D.D., PHILADELPHIA, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The year has been a successful one. The work has been prosecuted with exacting attention to the interests of the great cause represented by the Society. While attending to the activities required by the field, an unusual amount of office work has been done, as shown in the large amount of the postage account, over \$152. The correspondence has increased, and a large amount of printed matter has been sent out.

The total cash receipts from all sources is \$29,736.61. Of this amount Pennsylvania is to be credited with \$23,618.91; New Jersey, \$4075.48; Delaware, \$785.35; Maryland, \$55; District of Columbia, \$1241.87. Analysis of the above contrasted with the year preceding presents the following:

Total from churches this year	\$12,661 98
Total from churches last year	11,484 77
Increase	\$1,177 21
Total from individuals this year	\$11,275 55
Total from individuals last year	7,322 85
Increase	\$3,952 70
Total from Sunday Schools this year	\$1,473 76
Total from Sunday Schools last year	740 42
Increase	\$733 24
Total from Young People's Societies this year	\$334 09
Total from Young People's Societies last year	204 58
Increase	\$129 51
Total from other organizations this year	\$319 81
Total from other organizations last year	41 50
Increase	\$278 31
Total from legacies this year	\$671 51
Total from legacies last year	3,638 20
Decrease	\$2,926 68
Total from annuities this year	\$3,000 00
Total from annuities last year	4,300 00
Decrease	\$1,300 00
Total from all sources this year	\$29,736 61
Total from all sources last year	27,740 70
Increase	\$1,996 54

In addition to the above there has been deeded to the Society two houses and lots in Northumberland, Penn., by Mrs. Lydia A. Watts, wife of Deacon Henry Watts. They have long been identified with the church in that place. The interest manifested by these friends is most gratifying, and it is to be hoped that their example will stimulate others to remember the cause of Christ in the disposal of their property.

The Rev. O. W. Van Osdel, D.D., spent a short time here in the interest of his church at Spokane, and collected nearly \$1000. Ninety per cent. of this was clear gain for our home field, as the money could not have been otherwise secured. It was a genuine satisfaction thus to aid in placing on a permanent foundation one of our own churches in an important and growing center in the great Northwest. A conservative estimate of the value of the above items would add to the year's assets from three to four thousand dollars.

The plan suggested by the Systematic Beneficence Commission in the districting of the field has been cordially adopted by the various associations, but a number of the churches still hold to the old dates. Speaking generally, however, the movement is a success, especially in New Jersey. In Western Pennsylvania there is a growing tendency among the churches to use the weekly subscription plan and divide the results among the various causes. As a whole it works well. We give it welcome because it breaks up the old habits of inconsiderate giving. The churches adopting it have shown considerable increase in benevolence. I have visited seventy-one churches; preached fifty-six sermons; delivered fifty-seven lectures and addresses; attended ten Associations personally, and twenty by substitute. There have been 512 contributing churches against 483 last year.; 166 Sundays Schools, against ninety-five last year; twenty-nine Young People's Societies against forty-one last year; sixty-one personal contributors against sixty the year preceding.

It is impossible to give an analysis of the receipts for the last decade. My records up to 1892 were destroyed by the fire. The following is the exhibit for eight years:

In the first column is the aggregate amount from organized sources, including annuities.

	Churches and Other Organizations.	Personal.	Legacies.	Total.
1893	\$12,141 44	\$8,069 25	\$9,189 97	\$29,400 66
1894	12,979 68	6,822 42	3,330 95	23,132 05
1895	15,540 81	4,828 78	9,645 30	30,014 89
1896	13,710 91	5,393 07	457 47	19,561 98
1897	16,293 79	5,663 40	5,941 04	27,898 23
1898	14,966 95	8,230 08	5,416 66	28,613 69
1899	17,220 12	7,382 35	3,138 20	27,740 67
1900	17,789 54	11,275 55	671 52	29,736 61

The books furnished by the Society have not hitherto provided for a separate account from Churches, Sunday Schools, Young People's Societies, etc. This analysis has only been furnished in the reports for the last three years. From what we have in our possession we are able to present only the following: Aggregate number of contributing churches Sunday Schools, etc., 1895, 432; 1896, 533; 1897, 631; 1898, 679; 1899, 687; 1900, 778.

Churches, 1898, 476; 1899, 483; 1900, 512. Sunday Schools, 1898, 117; 1899, ninety-five; 1900, 166. Young People's Societies, 1898, twenty-seven; 1899, forty-one; 1900, twenty-nine. Other organizations, 1898, six; 1899, eight; 1900, ten. Personal, 1898, fifty-three; 1899, sixty; 1900, sixty-one.

Mrs. William Scott has been working in the district for a portion of the year. From April to July her time was divided between this and the New York District. After her return in August, the state of her health was such as to make it impossible for her to resume field duty until October, when she began in Western Pennsylvania; continuing into the month of December, with Pittsburg as a center. After this a short period was spent in the City of Washington, mostly among the colored churches. From the early part of January to March 20th she was in Philadelphia and vicinity. She spoke on an average from five to six times a week. She is thoroughly devoted to her work, and her main danger lies in overtaxing her strength. Of the quality of her service there has been but one testimony, that of unqualified approval among strong and weak churches, white and colored alike.

The esteem in which she is held is attested by the fact that the Ministers' Conferences, both of Pittsburg and Philadelphia, with great cordiality put on record a minute of their high appreciation. The colored Ministers' Conferences of Washington and Philadelphia did the same. By education, nature and grace she is rarely qualified for effective service in public address.

It is impossible to measure the value of this kind of effort in figures. On many occasions her addresses were given out of the period for Home Mission offerings, when there was merely an effort to meet the expenses of the itinerary. In others contributions have been increased and many subscribers secured to the Monthly. There were pledges to the amount of \$1500 by the colored churches of Washington for Union University, which it is hoped will be redeemed in the near future.

We cannot close this report without again expressing our conviction that the efforts to win the foreign population of the district, especially in Pennsylvania, should be greatly extended. Many thousands of Italians, Poles, Hungarians and others are to be found here. Certainly the obligation is as sacred to evangelize the foreign element in our own land as to convert the people remote from us.

THE LAKE DISTRICT: MICHIGAN AND OHIO.

E. H. E. JAMESON, D.D., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

There has been much prosperity in temporal things throughout the Lake District during the past year, and a good degree of prosperity also in Zion. The factories and mills have been in ceaseless operation and the farmers have realized returns from their labors beyond their expectations. There is surely cause for gratitude among business men and laborers for what has come into their hands and Christian people should, if they do not, recognize God's good hand in dealing so generously with them. From the increased gifts it may be inferred that our church members have more money than in some former years, and have also a sense of thankfulness for the improved conditions. The work of collecting funds for the Society, however, has not been free from difficulties. In Ohio the plan of systematic beneficence has not been completely established for lack of State organization and direction, although many of the churches are endeavoring to "observe times and seasons," as laid down in "the rotary system," as was suggested by the Missionary Secretaries some six or more years ago. Too many of the churches, it may be said, still have their own plans, or no plans at all, and if they do anything for missions, it is done from occasional impulse. The fact that a large sum of money had to be raised in Ohio for educational purposes has, no doubt, lessened the church contributions and individual gifts to missions. The District Secretary has had to meet this pressure upon the churches, and yet, it is gratifying to state that many with this additional obligation upon them remained loyal to the Home Mission cause and did not neglect the usual offerings.

In Michigan the change has been made during the year, by vote of the State Convention, from old plans to the new and better plan suggested by systematic beneficence. This has changed the times of contributing somewhat, and a few churches, therefore, did not get their offerings into the fiscal year. Nevertheless, there is a perceptible gain in the amount contributed, though from fewer churches. All the churches, it is hoped, will fall into line under the new plan, by another year.

The District Secretary takes pleasure in mentioning the valuable service rendered to the Society during the year by Mrs. E. G. Wheeler, special representative. She has traveled much over both States, and has made many addresses, which produced a deep impression on her audiences. As Mrs. Wheeler goes to other districts we commend her most heartily to churches, Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies.

The amounts contributed to the Society we give below :

MICHIGAN.	
From Churches.	\$3,276 29
From Sunday Schools.	195 83
From Young People's Societies.	57 88
From Women's Circles.	3 00
From the Woman's H. M. Society of Michigan.	622 50
From Individual and Miscellaneous Gifts.	450 65
From Legacies.	1,028 13
Total.	\$5,634 28

Funds have also been received and forwarded for the Society on which annuities are paid amounting to \$1400.00.

The number of churches contributing for the year was 185; Sunday Schools, forty-eight; Young People's Societies, twenty-five.

OHIO.	
From 222 Churches.	\$5,290 30
From 50 Sundays Schools.	405 89
From 15 Young People's Societies.	164 00
From 19 Women's Societies.	232 34
From Legacies.	2,264 00
From Various Individual and Miscellaneous Contributions... ..	1,835 56
Total.	\$10,192 09

To which may be added \$5000.00 gift on conditions.

Total from Ohio and Michigan, aside from Trust Funds, Conditional Gift, etc.	\$15,876 37
Total with Trust Funds and Conditional Gift.	6,440 00

Total \$22,316 37

As this report closes a decade of service for the Home Mission Society. it may be of interest to those who have contributed their funds to the work to have in a convenient form a table showing the amounts given each year, and the number of churches, Sunday Schools, etc., from which the contributions have come. They are given below. The contributions vary in amount, according to circumstances. In the "hard times," less was given. In the year when the "Joint Debt" was being paid the amount was less, though the aggregate, including the "debt money" was more. The last year shows that more churches and Sunday Schools have contributed than in some preceding years and the amounts have been larger.

THE LAKE DISTRICT—OHIO AND MICHIGAN

A DECADE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

MICHIGAN

Contributions from Churches, Sunday Schools, etc.

YEAR	No. of Churches	No. of Sunday Schools	No. of Young Peoples' Societies	Women's Circles	From Churches	From Sunday Schools	Young People's Societies	Women's Societies	Individual and Miscellaneous	Legacies
1890.....	159	34	.....	....	\$3,400 00	\$175 00	.....	\$1,400 00	\$373 00	.....
1891.....	125	47	3	....	3,600 00	162 00	\$42 00	1,400 00	317 00	\$3,197 30
1892.....	141	40	5	....	2,583 52	175 00	35 00	1,400 00	13 17	.....
1893.....	149	17	14	....	2,878 22	195 00	65 00	1,400 00	190 00	150 00
1894.....	150	16	14	....	2,964 84	66 70	59 19	1,362 00	350 00	67 74
1895	148	40	22	....	2,418 95	235 68	121 57	1,250 00	32 52	1,442 92
1896.....	118	29	26	....	2,626 00	91 09	81 72	1,054 50	86 00	.....
1897.....	123	15	10	....	2,458 06	170 54	43 02	875 00	475 44	3,000 00
1898.....	188	15	16	....	3,181 92	177 70	59 99	650 00	119 68	1,000 00
1899.....	185	50	25	....	3,276 29	195 83	57 88	625 50	450 65	1,028 13

OHIO

1890.....	184	39	.....	....	\$4,500 96	\$285 00	.....	\$300 00	\$225 00	\$302 00
1891.....	145	60	2	....	5,000 00	182 00	50 00	300 00	221 91	5,595 00
1892.....	213	41	12	13	5,760 00	198 67	126 00	298 00	509 00	5,080 00
1893.....	179	42	3	....	6,373 00	282 11	.....	245 27	656 00	106 00
1894.....	179	35	18	33	7,297 15	295 74	199 45	656 99	3,225 78	8,261 20
1895.....	185	40	18	....	5,092 66	311 49	137 34	586 76	472 75	4,684 25
1896.....	158	39	19	15	15,416 21	236 00	222 27	288 73	150 00	890 26
1897.....	218	19	12	....	4,886 08	158 64	172 06	587 70	771 15	8,000 00
1898.....	192	25	21	....	4,278 27	164 53	168 11	322 55	275 08	800 00
1899.....	222	50	15	19	5,290 30	405 89	164 00	232 34	1,835 52	2,264 00

NOTES.—In 1898 the total gifts from Ohio, including the Matured Annuity Funds of Dea. Martin E. Gray were \$78,711.11.
In 1896 the total contributions from Ohio churches were \$15,416, which included \$10,000 given by John D. Rockefeller through the Euclid Avenue Church, Cleveland.
The German contributions of the Lake District are included in our report, being for the year \$817.57.

During the year I have traveled 18,715 miles, preached sixty-three sermons, delivered seventy addresses, visited seventy-five churches, attended thirty-eight Associations, and twenty-five other public meetings. I have also attended ninety-two prayer meetings, obtained subscribers to the *Home Mission Monthly* amounting to \$50.50, and have written about 1000 letters and postal cards, besides sending off by express and mail many thousands of booklets, leaflets, collection envelopes and circulars. My office work has largely increased and a considerable portion of time must necessarily be given to it, yet no public work has been neglected that I am aware of.

During the ten years of service referred to in the table above given, I have traveled not far from 200,000 miles, preached 650 sermons and made 850 addresses.

With prayer for Divine guiding, I am ready for future service.

WABASH DISTRICT: INDIANA AND SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

REV. SCHUYLER C. FULMER, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The features that are peculiar to this District have been pointed out in my last three annual reports, and to get a full analysis of the make up of this District I would refer the reader to the report of last year. My plans for the dissemination of a knowledge of Home Mission work and for coöperation in the collection of funds are succeeding as well as I could expect. I now have an Associational Secretary in each Association, and my list of Church Secretaries of Home Missions is constantly growing. It is with pleasure that I call attention to the fact that Indiana made a gain of 22⅓ per cent. on the income from churches, Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U.'s, personal offerings, associational collections, and W. M. Circles; also that Central and Southern Illinois made a gain of 11½ per cent. on the same sources. I wish in this public and permanent way to express my most sincere appreciation of the aid given me in my work by the pastors and many willing laymen, and also in this connection to specially mention the State Managing Committee of Home Missions in Indiana and the Associational Secretaries and Church Secretaries in the whole District. Many of them have worked earnestly and efficiently and the results are apparent.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—IN INDIANA.

25 B. Y. P. Unions gave	\$113 92
34 Sunday Schools gave	160 47
66 personal gifts amounted to	724 35

342 churches gave	2,642 83
2 Women's Mission Circles gave	30 00
1 Associational meeting collection	2 18
Total	<u>\$3,673 75</u>
Total last year	<u>2,994 39</u>
Gain this year	\$679 36

IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

6 Associational collections amounted to	\$31 26
3 Women's Mission Circles gave	12 50
22 B. Y. P. Unions gave	102 61
45 Sunday Schools gave	191 89
121 personal gifts amounted to	605 48
197 churches gave	<u>1,336 06</u>
Total	<u>\$2,279 80</u>
Total last year	<u>2,044 54</u>
Gain this year	\$235 26

IN THE DISTRICT.

Total from all sources last year	\$6,408 93
Total from all sources this year	<u>5,953 55</u>
Decrease this year	\$455 38
NOTE.—This decrease is caused by no contribution to Annuity Fund this year, as against one last year of \$1370.	
Total from churches this year	\$3,978 89
Total from churches last year	<u>3,407 77</u>
Increase this year	\$571 12
Total from individuals this year	\$1,329 83
Total from individuals last year	<u>1,199 03</u>
Increase this year	\$130 80
Total from Sunday Schools this year	\$352 36
Total from Sunday Schools last year	<u>227 35</u>
Increase this year	\$125 01
Total from B. Y. P. Unions this year	\$216 53
Total from B. Y. B. Unions last year	<u>175 67</u>
Increase this year	\$40 86

DISTRICT—PAST FOUR YEARS.

COMPARATIVE TABLE.									
Year ending March 31st.	No.	Churches.	No.	S. S's.	No.	B. Y. P. U's.	No.	Individuals.	All Sources.
1897.....	486	\$3,478.92	60	\$266.23	51	\$213.10	205	\$1,188.24	\$5,343.69
1898.....	485	3,573.32	44	227.39	43	194.81	166	855.70	6,327.03
1899.....	492	3,407.77	53	227.35	52	175.67	147	1,199.03	6,408.93
1900.....	539	3,978.89	79	352.36	48	216.53	187	1,329.83	5,953.55
Totals.....	...	\$14,438.90	..	\$1,073.33	..	\$800.11	...	\$4,572.80	\$24,033.20

My personal work is partially represented by the following: Addresses made, 152; sermons preached, fifty-four; prayer meetings attended, twenty-one; other meetings attended, nineteen; churches visited, sixty-four; associational meetings attended, personally, twenty-six, and by proxy, thirty-three; attended two State Conventions and was present at the May Anniversaries in San Francisco; letters written, 2119; postals written, 385; circular letters sent out, 620; miles traveled, 20,971; annual reports of the Society distributed, 164; copies of the *Home Mission Monthly* given away, 1094; pages of literature distributed, 339,525; mite-boxes sent out, 2238; personal calls made, fifty-nine; personal visits made, 117; new subscribers to the *Monthly* secured, 154; renewals to the *Monthly* taken, 138.

CHICAGO DISTRICT: NORTHERN ILLINOIS AND WISCONSIN.

JUDSON B. THOMAS, D.D., CHICAGO, ILL., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The past year has been one of most varied experiences. Withal it has had many bright and hopeful features. Pastorates are altogether too short as a rule, and the breaking up of these relations almost invariably means disorder in church benevolences. Some of the largest churches in this district have allowed their *Home Mission* contributions to pass over this year. The cause for this in some cases has been the neglect of the pastors. The more frequent cause was either (1) pastoral change or (2) special efforts to reduce or wipe out church indebtedness. Some of our churches have made most commendable progress in this direction.

The receipts for the year in this district have exceeded those of last year by \$1383.14, as will be seen by the table below. The monies of the year have come from 230 churches, twenty-six Sabbath Schools, thirty-one Young People's Societies, twenty-nine individuals, five estates.

The following comparative table for the decade just closed has been somewhat difficult to secure, owing to the changes in the district during that time. Thousands of dollars have also probably been sent directly to New York, of which there is no account in this office. Monies sent to New York by the State Conventions are not included in this table, nor are the receipts for the *Home Mission Monthly*. The table is, however, approximately and relatively correct.

	Year ending March 31, 1891.						
	Church.	Personal	S. S.	Y. P.	Legacies.	Circles.	
Gen. Purposes	\$3,693 66	\$1,538 00	\$274 31	\$63 32	\$2,183 20	\$15 00	
Education	30 10	1,010 00	56 00	
Ch. Ed. Fund	149 22	257 00	8 42	
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Total	\$3,872 98	\$2,805 00	\$330 31	\$63 32	\$2,183 20	\$15 00	
Grand total							\$9,269 81
1892.							
Gen. Purposes	\$5,749 13	\$684 10	\$248 66	\$44 42	\$1,851 07	\$15 00	
Education	96 65	45 00	
Ch. Ed. Fund	117 42	30 00	31 87	
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Total	\$5,866 55	\$714 10	\$376 18	\$44 42	\$1,896 07	\$15 00	
Grand total							\$8,912 32
1893.							
Gen. Purposes	\$4,516 86	\$758 00	\$385 46	\$46 78	\$2,210 47	\$12 10	
Education	31 60	25 00	4 00	7 62	206 81	
Ch. Ed. Fund	182 09	682 00	10.03	
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Total	\$4,730 55	\$1,465 00	\$399 49	\$54 40	\$2,417 28	\$12 10	
Grand total							\$9,078 82
1894							
Gen. Purposes	\$5,115 45	\$1,392 50	\$259 14	\$126 77	\$2,254 32	\$46 00	
Education	10 25	5 00	95 00	
Ch. Ed. Fund	247 89	50 00	9 26	
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Total	\$5,373 59	\$1,447 50	\$268 40	\$126 77	2,349 32	\$46 00	
Grand total							\$9,611 58
1895							
Gen. Purposes	\$7,977 06	\$763 69	\$258 71	\$132 86	\$3,558 89	
Education	4 50	55 00	
Ch. Ed. Fund	1,080 00	36 00	45 69	1,305 87	
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Total	\$8,061 56	\$809 69	\$304 40	\$132 86	\$4,919 76	
Grand total							14,228 27

1896

Gen. Purposes	\$5,685 34	\$718 50	\$182 47	\$118 78	\$2,451 74	\$10 25
Education	19 42	40 00
Ed. Ch. Fund	721 65	29 50	97 86
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Total	\$6,426 41	\$748 00	\$280 33	\$118 78	\$2,491 74	\$10 25
Grand total	\$10,075 51					

1897.

Gen. Purposes	\$7,945 90	\$762 94	\$162 86	\$228 70	\$2,232 34	\$36 00
Education	23 95	10 00	40 00
Ch. Ed. Fund.	395 88	22 00	148 72	1,710 20
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Total	\$8,365 73	\$794 94	\$311 58	\$228 70	\$3,982 54	\$36 00
Grand total	\$13,719 49					

1898.

Gen. Purposes	\$6,406 31	\$756 25	\$316 05	\$264 04	\$1,404 81	\$5 00
Education	178 58	2,520 00
Ch. Ed. Fund.	380 97	108 98	1,357 35
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Total	\$6,965 86	\$756 25	\$425 03	\$264 04	\$5,282 16	\$5 00
Grand total	\$13,698 34					

1899.

Gen. Purposes	\$7,350 92	\$515 05	\$151 46	\$148 26	\$3,671 60	\$9 36
Education	28 85	57 50
Ch. Ed. Fund.	266 25	53 31	882 08
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Total	\$7,646 02	\$515 05	\$204 77	\$148 26	\$4,611 18	\$9 36
Grand total	\$13,134 64					

1900.

Gen. Purposes	\$7,359 85	\$565 65	\$125 43	\$153 44	\$4,554 62	\$10 50
Education	5 40	60 00
Ch. Ed. Fund.	325 52	1 00	67 02	2 00	1,287 35
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Total	\$7,690 77	\$566 65	\$192 45	\$155 44	\$5,901 97	\$10 50
Grand total	\$14,517 78					

UPPER MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT—MINNESOTA, NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH
DAKOTA.

O. A. WILLIAMS, D.D., MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The offerings of the Baptist churches in Wisconsin are not sent through this office, but are reported to Dr. Thomas in Chicago. The offerings reported in the accompanying table are from Minnesota, North and South Dakota. The field from which these contributions are received is necessarily limited, for this territory is pre-eminently mission ground. The call for State Convention work is imperative. The German Baptists send their contributions to the treasury in New York, and therefore are not included in the report below. But there is genuine sympathy for the general work among the churches, and many respond heartily and liberally to the appeals. In some of the Associations there has been an encouraging year increase in the contributions.

The Secretary calls the attention of the churches to the claims of Home Missions by personal visitation and correspondence. Notwithstanding the efforts made to explain the different objects of benevolence, there is still much confusion in the minds of many respecting the offerings for State work and for the general work. Owing to this confusion some churches fail to do anything for the general work; but persistent education along this line will doubtless result in a better understanding of the relations which these organizations sustain to each other.

The contributions of the churches during the present fiscal year have been as follows:

MINNESOTA.

Churches contributing, 97.	
Offerings from the Churches ..	1,820.
" " the Sunday School ..	15.
" " the B Y P U.	22
" " the Women's Circles ..	37
" " Individuals ..	248
Total ..	\$2,143

SOUTH DAKOTA

Churches contributing, 20.	
Offerings from Churches ..	\$192
" " Sunday Schools ..	18
" " B. Y. P. U ..	5
" " Women's Circles ..	17
Total ..	\$233

NORTH DAKOTA.

Churches contributing, 16.	
Offerings from Churches	\$107.38
" " Sunday Schools	13.44
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Total	\$120.82
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Total contributions for general work	\$2,498.30
Offerings for Church Edifice Fund	35.60
From Hon. Geo. A. Pillsbury's estate	4,000.00
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Total	\$6,533.91
Chapel Day receipts	454.18
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Grand total	\$6,988.09

The following tables show the contributions of the churches of this District for a period of six years, covering the services of the District Secretary. Legacies, annuities, and the Joint Debt offerings are not included:

	1894-95	1895-96	1896-97	1897-98	1898-99	1899-1900
General Fund ..	\$1,561.73	\$1,582.68	\$2,182.02	\$2,036.17	\$2,133.25	\$2,498.30
Church Edifice .	167.72	73.64	200.40	379.42	221.09	454.18

CONTRIBUTING.

No. Churches ...	68	94	110	119	119	133
N. S. Schools ...	13	23	60	97	60	98
No. Y. P. Societies	2	..	..	6	3	11
Women's Societies ..		1	2	4	6	6

CENTRAL DISTRICT: IOWA, KANSAS, NEBRASKA AND COLORADO.

REV. D. D. PROPER, DES MOINES, IOWA, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

This report covers my first full year of work as District Secretary. The total amount of contributions from all sources for the district is \$9919.15. This is an increase of \$2512.97 over last year, which was also a gain of \$2344.09 over the previous year. This makes a total increase of \$4857.06 for the last two years.

DIFFICULTIES.

Among the difficulties encountered on this field may be mentioned:

First. Lack of personal acquaintance with many pastors and members. It makes quite a difference about the reception of a written appeal, as to whether there is a personal acquaintance between the parties. This is incident to beginning new work, and is gradually being overcome.

Second. Lack of a habit of giving to the Home Mission Society, separate from the State Convention. Not only is giving a habit, but giving to different objects of benevolence is a *habit*, which proves to be quite a factor in results. In these older States of the Middle West, where the Society has been in coöperation with the State Conventions, State Missions and Foreign Missions have been duly recognized for many years and a habit of giving to them formed. The work of giving to "*Home Missions*" is of more recent observance, and it takes time to till the soil and sow the seed for the abundant harvests. A good start is being made in this direction, and it is a matter for great gratitude to God that there is an increase in the contributions to the work of home evangelization.

Third. In the States of the Middle West heroic efforts are being made in many churches to replace the pioneer buildings with more commodious and costly houses of worship; other churches are making extensive repairs and paying debts. During these efforts the cause of missions in many churches falls behind.

Fourth. Frequent changes in pastorates is one great hindrance to our mission collections in this district. Several church contributions are lacking from this cause this year. But very few churches make their customary offerings while pastorless.

Fifth. The greatest difficulty of all is found in the large number of members who appear to be so little interested in the evangelization of their country, outside of the State work. At least 800 churches in this District did not send any contribution from any department of their work for the Society's work. In many places there is a lamentable lack of the missionary spirit, and in certain parts of the field there is a pronounced anti-mission spirit.

ENCOURAGEMENTS.

Notwithstanding the difficulties there are many encouragements which more than offset the discouragements.

First. It is encouraging to note a steady increase in the total amount from the district each year. All the States show a healthy growth in this direction, as may be seen in the itemized report.

Second. It is encouraging to find that there are 156 more contributing churches than for last year. Twenty-four Young People's Societies contributed this year which did nothing last year. Seventy-five more Sunday Schools aided in the work this year than last year.

Third. It is very hopeful to find that 120 churches have given increased amounts over last year, and in forty churches the amounts have been doubled over previous years, and some others nearly so.

Fourth. It is a matter of great satisfaction and cause for thanksgiving to God to note a growing interest in the work of the Home Mission Society. The Secretary meets with a hearty, cordial reception by pastors and members, and many are the helpful, inspiring letters received. In view of the fact that so few of the churches can be visited on Sunday in this large District, the Secretary has called into use a stereopticon, for week-day work, with excellent results. While there has been some increase in the expenses on this account, this has been more than made up by collections which would not otherwise have been taken.

A statement of my personal labors is as follows, viz.: Churches visited, 135; sermons preached, ninety-nine; addresses delivered, 104; Associations attended, twenty-five; State Conventions, four; letters written, 2417; postal cards, 660; copies of mimeograph letters sent, 2315; miles traveled, 24,575; copies of leaflets and pamphlets distributed, 57,500; secured fifty-five subscribers for *Home Mission Monthly*.

IOWA.

	Apr. 1, '98, to Apr. 1, '99.	Apr. 1, '99, to Apr. 1, 1900	Decrease.	Increase.
*Churches and individuals	\$2,666 37	\$2,759 42		\$93 05
Individuals.....		457 50		457 50
Y. P. Societies	55 63	82 81		27 18
Sunday Schools.....	300 91	631 54		330 63
Women's Societies.. ..	30 70	23 50		9 80
Legacies.....	142 15		142 15	
Annuities	1,000 00		1,000 00	
Total.....	\$4,178 76	\$3,954 77	\$1,142 15	\$918 16

* Last year, amounts from Churches and Individuals put together.

KANSAS

	Apr. 1, '98, to Apr. 1, '99.	Apr. 1, '99. to Apr. 1, 1900.	Decrease.	Increase.
*Churches and individuals....	\$1,226 91	\$1,547 33		\$320 42
Individuals.....		384 63		384 63
Y. P. Societies.....	3 50	15 45		11 95
Sunday Schools.....	59 41	113 81		54 40
Women's Societies.....	2 80	13 00		10 20
Legacies.....				
Total.....	\$1,292 62	\$2,074 22		\$781 60

* Last year, amounts from Churches and Individuals put together.

NEBRASKA.

	Apr. 1, '98, to Apr. 1, '99.	Apr. 1, '99. to Apr. 1, 1900.	Decrease.	Increase.
*Churches and individuals....	\$923 70	\$1,245 47		\$321 77
Individuals.....		135 00		135 00
Y. P. Societies.....	8 90	35 56		26 66
Sunday Schools.....	15 29	111 22		95 93
Women's Societies.....	7 50	2 70	4 80	
Legacies.....				
Annuities.....	500 00	1,000 00		500 00
Total.....	\$955 39	\$2,539 95	\$4 80	\$1,079 36

* Last year, amounts from Churches and Individuals put together.

COLORADO.

	Apr. 1, '98, to Apr. 1, '99.	Apr. 1, '99. to Apr. 1, 1900.	Decrease.	Increase.
*Churches and individuals....	\$453 71	\$1,219 90		\$766 19
Individuals.....		50 00		50 00
Y. P. Societies.....		5 00		5 00
Sunday Schools.....	25 60	78 21		52 61
Women's Societies.....		7 00		7 00
Legacies.....				
Annuities.....				
Total.....	\$479 31	\$1,360 11		\$880 80

* Last year, amounts from Churches and Individuals put together.

Total receipts from 480 churches	\$6,772 12
Total receipts from individuals	1,027 13
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	\$7,799 25
Total receipts from churches and individuals last year.....	5,270 69
Increase this year	2,528 56
Total receipts from forty-one Young People's Societies.....	\$138 82
Total receipts from Young People's Societies last year.....	68 03
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Increase this year	\$70 79
Total receipts from 146 Sunday Schools	\$934 78
Total receipts from Sunday Schools last year	401 21
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Increase this year	\$533 57
Total receipts from Women's Societies	\$46 20
Total receipts from Women's Societies last year	24 00
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Increase this year	\$22 20
Total annuities	\$1,000 00
Total annuities last year	1,500 00
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Decrease this year	\$500 00
Total legacies	\$
Total legacies last year	142 15
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Decrease this year	\$142 15
Total receipts from all sources	\$9,919 05
Total receipts from all sources last year	6,906 08
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Net increase this year	\$3,012 97
Net increase last year	2,344 09

The increase in contributions from all sources, outside of annuities and legacies, is \$3155.12.

PACIFIC DISTRICT: WASHINGTON, NORTH IDAHO, OREGON, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, ARIZONA AND ALASKA.

C. A. WOODY, D.D., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

Speaking in a general way of the whole District the year closed has seen better financial conditions prevailing than for several years. This fact has stimulated efforts to pay off church debts and make needed improvements on church property, and in many cases has made possible the enlarging of the too meager salaries of pastors. If such general conditions shall prevail for another year or two we shall see most of the churches regaining the ground lost during the previous four years of continued depression.

The Conventions which have been in debt have been stimulated to provide for their overdue accounts and during the year have been urging the churches to enlarge their contributions to Convention treasuries. Notably is this true of Oregon and Northern California, which embrace the oldest portions of the District. The Home for Missionaries' Children at Vashon has been in the field during the year for \$5000, and the Colleges of Oregon and California have been vigorously in a canvass for funds to enlarge their endowments to meet conditional offers from the Educational Society. The adoption of the "wheel plan" in some parts of the field has put the offering for the Society over a quarter of the year, so that they will not appear as having contributed during this year. All these matters have had a tendency to affect missionary offerings for both the Society and the Missionary Union, but in both cases a considerable advance over the contributions of last year can be reported. The contributions reported below show approximately the results of the year's work. The totals may not be very exact from the difficulty encountered in getting the figures. They are from three sources: First, the sums paid into my office; second, from receipts of missionaries sent to me; and third, from reports of the treasurer of the Society as published in the *Monthly*. The table will show the comparative increase over last year.

	Chs.	Amts.	S. S.	Amts.	Y. P. S.	Amts.	Ind'ls	Amts.
1898-9	52	\$1,100 51	25	\$54 40	4	\$13 10	28	\$213 50
1899-0	69	1,132 19	30	168 36	8	41 46	12	1,234 50
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Gain		\$31 68		\$113 96		\$28 36		\$1,021 00

To the above contributions is to be added that of \$25.00 from the Woman's Home Mission Society of California, making the total sum contributed during the year \$2601.51, which is an advance of \$1220.00 over

the previous year. Being classified these offerings are as follows: Designated, \$350.00; annuity, \$800.00; General Fund, \$1451.51. The totals from the several States of my District are as follows: Alaska, \$27.00; British Columbia, \$12.40; Washington, \$269.93; Idaho, \$296.25; Oregon, \$1215.10; California, \$627.98; Arizona, \$132.85; Nevada, \$20.00.

It is but fair to say that during the first three months of the year I was only able to attend to office work, not being able to get out onto the field on account of sickness, and this doubtless affected the offerings from the churches. So far as I can judge from the spirit and outlook among the churches we shall do better in regular offerings another year than in this.

My personal services during the year involved the visitation of fifty churches, five Associations, fifty-three other public meetings, the giving of twenty-six sermons and fifty-six addresses and the attending of fifty-nine prayer meetings. I have distributed 36,700 pages of tracts and other literature of the Society; I have traveled 18,639 miles, paying for expenses \$366.30, postage \$38.51, stationery, freight and incidental expenses, \$150.29, and have written 555 letters and postal cards. I have also assisted in the dedication of one church and the ordination of two ministers.

KANAWHA DISTRICT—WEST VIRGINIA.

REV. W. E. POWELL, D.D., PARKERSBURG, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

In submitting this, my twentieth annual report, it is with profound gratitude to the giver of all good that I recount his mercies and special care for me through a year of critical and very painful illness.

This district, which suffered so severely a few years ago from a prolonged drouth, and then from loss of business, by the great financial depression, is gradually recovering from these reverses.

The grazing farms are now well stocked again, there is a healthy demand for these products and at good prices, so that the effects were visible during the last year, as seen in an increasing number of contributing churches—the number being 345, as against 220 in 1890, and only three in 1880; and also in increasing offerings from these churches.

At no other time has the work of the Society been so well understood nor so highly appreciated as now. While the District Secretary has been, by a severe illness, compelled to remain at his home almost all the past year, he takes very great pleasure in recording the fact, that by the kindly assistance of the pastors and many other persons, his work has been well cared for in the churches and at the annual meetings of the associations. The increased number of missionaries employed by the Society in this District has also had a stimulating effect upon the work.

The demands of the field were never so great nor pressing as at this time. West Virginia is as emphatically a great mission field as the Dakotas, Washington or Oregon. Not less than \$10,000,000.00 of capital have been invested in coal, timber and oil lands in West Virginia during the last two years. These industries are now being developed on a large scale. Neither the oil town, mining village nor the lumber camp are productive of good morals or deep piety, but on the other hand they become the centers of vice without the restraining influences of the Gospel. All this increased activity and growth in population calls for a larger force of good men as missionaries; more than we have yet been able to employ. Much has been done to meet these increasing demands, but much more should and must be done toward occupying the many villages and towns so rapidly springing up along the lines of new railroads and in these centers of population; neither should we neglect the many important country districts, which are calling for missionaries.

Our churches have adopted the plan of systematic beneficence, which is working well and promises very good results for Home Missions in this State. A review of ten years' work is found in the tabulated form below.

PERSONAL WORK.

Weeks of service, fifty-two; churches visited, nine; Associations attended, one; other public meetings, nine; sermons preached, nine; addresses made, twenty-one; prayer meetings attended, twenty-four; religious visits made, thirty-five; tracts distributed, 104,000 pages; collected for Home Missions, \$3660.45; secured nine subscribers for the *Home Mission Monthly*; paid for traveling expenses, \$64.15; paid for postage, \$50.60; paid for stationery, \$32.10; traveled, 1250 miles; have written 2782 letters, and 853 postals, and paid for telegrams and expressage, \$1.02.

TEN YEARS' CONTRIBUTIONS — KANAWHA DISTRICT.

March 31st.	Number of Churches Contributing.	Number of Sunday Schools Contributing.	Number of W. M. Circles Contributing.	Number of Young People's Societies Contributing.	Number of Individuals Contributing.	Number of Legacies.	Amount Contributed by Churches.	Amount Contributed by Sunday Schools.	Amount Contributed by W. M. Circles.	Amount Contributed by Y. P. Societies.	Amount Contributed by Individuals.	Amount of Legacies.	Received from Other Sources.	Total Amount of Receipts.
1891	255	10	16	1	3	...	\$1080.22	\$65.71	\$1.00	...	\$11.60	\$...	\$242.37	\$1,434.90
1892	260	7	12	...	3	1	1105.04	42.47	126.60	...	18.00	400.00	52.04	1,744.51
1893	240	15	19	...	362	...	1212.13	88.65	72.91	...	114.50	...	171.82	1,660.01
1894	217	7	7	...	362	...	1081.95	27.76	108.03	...	16.00	...	57.28	1,391.02
1895	236	11	4	1	9	1	989.66	12.98	41.95	2.00	42.00	320.49	...	1,409.08
1896	264	10	4	2	9	1	1100.80	38.20	24.29	4.00	33.00	110.00	...	1,310.29
1897	319	12	11	...	17	2	1227.76	67.97	4.50	...	39.05	275.00	...	1,614.28
1898	307	13	1	1	7	1	1260.78	71.43	10.00	.55	22.00	88.34	...	1,483.45
1899	322	27	3	...	15	3	1420.40	112.30	3.00	...	334.01	10,723.01	...	12,501.72
1900	345	13	...	4	50	2	454.17	43.34	14.00	4.34	2192.28	2,066.40	...	3,660.44

II. MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

The reports of the Superintendents of Missions and General Missionaries for the year show a very healthy condition of our work in all of its various branches.

I. WESTERN MISSIONS.

When the Society was organized in 1832 it was for the specific purpose of sending missionaries to the Mississippi Valley, or all of that great body of western territory drained by the Mississippi River. It was foreseen at that early day that this was to become the home of a vast population and the seat of industrial and political power: even a superficial knowledge of the prosperous States comprised within this territory serves to verify the prophecies of our fathers and to justify their urgent appeals for money for the prosecution of Western missions. A few figures with regard to the present condition of Baptist churches in that region are very eloquent. There are to-day, according to the latest figures given in the Baptist Year-Book, in Ohio, 72,675; Indiana, 64,254; Michigan, 43,289; Illinois, 115,329; Wisconsin, 19,774; Minnesota, 19,626; Iowa, 38,449; North Dakota, 2547; South Dakota, 5835; Nebraska, 15,824; Kansas, 40,198; Indian Territory, 20,886; Oklahoma Territory, 9710; Montana, 1278; Wyoming, 463; Colorado, 8253. Making a grand total of 478,390.

Of course it is not claimed that this large number of Baptists in the Mississippi Valley to-day is the direct result of Home Mission work alone, but it is safe to say that the work done by the American Baptist Home Mission Society in this region during the last sixty-eight years has been one of the most efficient agents in accomplishing the great results which we now see.

This large number of Baptists in this region is accompanied by the existence of the usual proportion of churches and Sunday Schools, by efficient State Conventions, Associations and other Christian organizations as well as by Universities; Colleges, Academies, religious newspapers and other religious forces and agencies.

The success of Home Mission work attested by such striking evidences especially in the eastern portion of the Mississippi Valley is ample reward for all that it has cost. It would be difficult to overstate the exceeding great value to us as a denomination, to the general cause of Christianity, as well as to the welfare of the Republic and the progress of civilization at home and abroad, which has sprung directly out of the work of Home Missions.

What has been accomplished is a prophecy of what may still be wrought not only in that portion of the Mississippi Valley that borders upon the mountains where religious destitution is still painfully apparent, but also in those regions of the still further west comprised within the Rocky Mountain States and Territories, and in the Pacific States; the religious destitution and the religious need of Home Mission work is as great to-day in Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, and New Mexico as it was fifty years ago in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa. Indeed, it is doubtful whether any field ever offered greater promise of speedy and abundant harvests from liberal and intelligent seed-sowing than is now offered by the States of Idaho, Washington, Oregon and California. Ten times the missionary money and labor that are now being expended on these fields could be profitably employed. It is a source of deep regret to your Board that the limit of its funds is such as to prevent it from largely increasing its expenditures for missionary work on its Western field. The facts brought out by the Superintendents of Missions and the General Missionaries for these States warrant the most urgent appeal to the denomination for an increase of funds to be expended in Western missions.

2. MEXICO.

No one familiar with the facts can doubt that very substantial progress has been made by our missions in Mexico. The tone and temper of the Mexican people with reference to Protestantism is widely different, largely as a result of the preaching and dissemination of religious literature by our Baptist Missions. The work has been slow, partly because of the sluggishness of the

Mexican people, partly because of the limited number of workers, partly because of a lack of vigorous general superintendence, and largely for the lack of a central, efficient school for the training of native workers. The past history of our work in our sister Republic and its present condition, both warrant us in saying that additional men and money would find abundant opportunity. There are three patent facts which ought to be well pondered; the first is that the Mexican people are probably more accessible to-day to Protestant missionary influences than at any previous time in their history; the second is that an increasing number of Mexicans are leaving their native land and immigrating to Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado and other portions of the United States, where they are to become a permanent and important factor in our national life. It is very, very important that we should meet this increasing tide of immigrants with the open Bible and the preached Gospel; the third fact meriting thoughtful consideration is the increasing intercommunication between Mexico and the United States; multitudes of tourists from this country visit Mexico annually, while the resident population of Americans in the chief centers of the Mexican Republic is steadily increasing. There ought to be to-day in the City of Mexico, in Monterey, and possibly in one or two other centers, English-speaking Baptist Churches, led by strong, forceful missionaries supported by this Society.

3. CUBA AND PORTO RICO.

The reports herewith submitted of Brethren McCormick and Rudd in Porto Rico and Moseley in Eastern Cuba, are very gratifying, both as a record of what has already been accomplished and as a promise of better things to come.

The most urgent need at the present time for the successful carrying on of these missions is suitable places of worship. Santiago in Cuba is the only place where we have thus far been able to provide a church adequate to the necessities. It is very important that we should have at an early day suitable meeting

houses at Manzanillo and San Juan in Porto Rico. We do not look for sudden and revolutionary changes in religious conditions among a Spanish-speaking people who for four hundred years have been under the benumbing influences of Spanish colonial policy and of Rome's ecclesiastical system. It is undeniably true, however, that faithful Protestant missionary work in these Islands will bring about in time a radical change for the better in the religious thought and life of these people. If the means at the disposal of your Board were sufficient it would largely increase its band of devoted workers in both of these Islands.

4. FOREIGN POPULATIONS.

That mighty migration of peoples which during the last fifty years has brought to our shores probably twenty millions gathered from all the nations of the globe, still continues. It is a movement without a parallel in human history and is changing the economical, political and religious aspect of the world. Under the influence of this tremendous force our Republican institutions are subjected to an enormous strain while our religious life is being slowly but surely and sadly corrupted. Had it not been for the virility of our Western life, the stability of our institutions, the aggressiveness of our Protestant Christianity, we should have been as hopelessly overrun as the Roman Empire was by the hordes that poured down upon it from the North centuries ago. We do not believe that the Protestant Christians of this country have awakened to the significance of this world movement. Certainly Baptists do not thoroughly comprehend what it means, nor do they realize what it involves to them of privilege, opportunity and obligation. God is bringing us into vital relationship with the ends of the earth through our contact with foreign immigrants on our own shores and within our own borders. We are glad to report that our missions among these various foreign people have never been more successful and promising than they are to-day.

Again we emphasize the importance of increasing our force of workers among the Italians. They are coming to us in increasing

numbers, and it is evident that they are to constitute a permanent and large factor in our population. They are industrious, thrifty, accessible and present most promising fields for missionary effort. We especially need a large increase of efficient workers and a corresponding increase of money for their support.

5. The report of the Field Secretary makes reference to the progress attending our City Mission work. It becomes year by year more and more evident that the Mission field of the immediate future is to be found in the very heart of the great and rapidly growing cities.

EARLY WORK IN MICHIGAN.

Michigan was the first mission field cultivated by the American Baptist Home Mission Society. Organized about April 27, 1832, the Society, May 11th of the same year, appointed Rev. Thomas W. Merrill to labor at Prairie Ronde and vicinity, near Kalamazoo. Prior to this appointment he had labored among the new settlements in the southwestern part of the State, whither the first settlers went three or four years before. "As to Prairie Ronde," he wrote, "the population is a mingled mass. Having come from different States, attached to dissimilar views, tenets and customs, and most of them supremely devoted to accumulation of a treasure on earth, they compose a disorganized and irreligious population. In one place a strong Southern element would not remain with Northern Baptists in the church. In these settlements I found comparatively few disposed to make a consideration and those few unable to bestow any considerable remuneration. For more than two years from the commencement of my labors among the recent settlements, as a public speaker, in which capacity I labored almost continuously on the Lord's day and a part of the time held several lectures during the week, I received about \$10 and expended nearly ten times this amount."

His desire for appointment by the Society was that he might use his small salary to purchase a site for an institution of learn-

ing, "an Institution under Baptist influence and one that shall exert a salutary and sanctifying influence upon the Baptist cause." This purpose he persistently strove to attain, and June 21, 1833, wrote: "I have presented a petition in its behalf several times before the Legislative Council and three times it failed. The bill has now passed and become a law, incorporating the Michigan and Huron Institute. We have some prospect that the location will be near this village." The letter was written from Comstock, Kalamazoo County, and contained also a communication from Caleb E. Comstock on the subject.

Mr. Merrill continued a steadfast friend of the institution, now Kalamazoo College, to which by his will he left a considerable portion of an estate which he acquired by great industry and frugality.

It was thus, not only in Michigan, but in many other Western States, that religious foundations were laid and that missionaries of the Society became the pioneers in and promoters of educational enterprises. It is fitting that, as the Society holds its annual anniversary in Detroit, sixty-eight years after the beginnings of its work, the services of one like Mr. Merrill, who may be regarded as a type of many others, should have honorable mention. "Other men labored and ye have entered into their labors."

MISSIONARY SUMMARY.

The following presents a summary exhibit of the missionary operations of the Society:

The whole number of laborers, missionaries and teachers supported wholly or in part by the Society has been 1180.

These have been distributed as follows: In the New England States, 44; in the Middle and Central States, 67; in the Southern States, 231; in the Western States and Territories, 799; in the Canadian Dominion, 10; in Mexico, 18; in Alaska, 1; in Cuba, 4; in Porto Rico, 6; French missionaries have wrought in 6 States; Scandinavian missionaries in 25 States; German missionaries in

Sermons preached.	93,242
Prayer meetings attended.	44,745
Religious visits made.	284,220
Bibles and Testaments distributed.	8,013
Pages of tracts distributed.	1,734,830
Received by baptism.	4,442
Received by letter and experience.	5,233
Total church membership.	56,863
Churches organized.	76
Sunday Schools under care of Missionaries.	1,154
Attendance at Sunday Schools.	74,330
Benevolent contributions reported.	\$97,482.24

RESULTS OF SIXTY-EIGHT YEARS.

Number of commissions to missionaries and teachers.	24,242
Weeks of service reported.	858,791
*Sermons preached.	2,122,065
*Prayer meetings attended.	1,146,383
*Religious visits to families and individuals.	5,413,626
Persons baptized.	163,361
Churches organized.	5,387

SUPERINTENDENTS AND GENERAL MISSIONARIES.

The following is the list of the Superintendents and General Missionaries the past year:

Upper Mississippi District—O. A. Williams, D.D., Minneapolis, Minn.

Wisconsin—Rev. D. W. Hulburt, Wauwatosa.

Minnesota—Rev. E. R. Pope, Minneapolis.

North and South Dakota—T. M. Shanafelt, D.D., Huron, S. D.

Trans-Mississippi Division—N. B. Rairden, D.D., Omaha, Neb.

Iowa—Rev. E. P. Bartlett, Des Moines.

Nebraska—Rev. C. W. Brinstad, Omaha.

Kansas—Rev. E. B. Meredith, Topeka.

Indian Territory—Rev. Cortez Stubblefield, Duncan.

J. S. Murrow, D.D. The Indians.

Oklahoma—Rev. L. J. Dyke, Oklahoma City.

Colorado and New Mexico—Rev. J. W. Crooks, Denver.

Montana, Utah, South Idaho and Wyoming—Rev. L. G. Clark, Helena, Mont.

* During last fifty-nine years.

Pacific Coast Division—C. A. Woody, D.D., Portland, Ore.

East Washington and North Idaho—Rev. A. M. Allyn, Spokane, Wash.
Washington—Rev. W. E. Randall, Tacoma.

Oregon—Rev. Gilman Parker, Portland.

Northern California—Rev. Robert Whitaker, Oakland.

South California and Arizona—Rev. C. T. Douglass, Pasadena, Cal.

The French—Rev. J. N. Williams, 22 Arch St., Providence, R. I.

The Germans—Rev. G. A. Schulte, 313A Charles St., West Hoboken, N. J.

Eastern Cuba—H. R. Moseley, D.D., Santiago.

Northern Porto Rico—Rev. H. P. McCormick, San Juan.

Southern Porto Rico—Rev. A. B. Rudd, Ponce.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT: WISCONSIN, MINNESOTA, NORTH
DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA.

O. A. WILLIAMS, D.D., MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS.

This district extends east and west from the Great Lakes to Montana, and north and south from Manitoba to Nebraska. Its area is equal to all of New England, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and a large part of Illinois. Something may be known of the exhaustless resources, of the untold wealth, and of the rapid development of this northern region by the fast increasing commerce of our inland seas. Three of the States of this district are the chief contributors to this commerce. The freight in tonnage which each season passes through the Sault Ste. Marie Canal far exceeds that of the Suez Canal, or that enters the port of New York or of London during the full twelve months. There is carried annually through the narrow channel connecting Lake Superior and Lake Huron, coal valued at \$10,000,000, flour at \$35,000,000, wheat at \$50,000,000, copper at \$30,000,000, iron ore at \$35,000,000, and lumber at \$12,000,000. In the last ten years the freight passing through this canal has increased from six million tons to more than twenty-four million tons. And this is but the beginning. The vast regions in Northern Minnesota, in North and South Dakota still unsettled are attracting the attention of the homeseekers, while the ores of Minnesota and Wisconsin offer great inducement to the capitalists. Not since the boom period in the early settlement of these States has there been such an influx of population as at the present season. In a single day, March the 29th, fifteen hundred homeseekers from Pennsylvania passed through the Twin Cities, filling five special trains, requiring more than a hundred freight cars to carry their household goods, stock and farm machinery, and this is but one of the many days that this season has seen such companies of homeseekers on their way to the Dakotas. Problems, therefore, confront us that call for large measures, wise plans, and energetic efforts in Home Mission work. In each one of these States opportunities for aggressive work are lost

each year because of inadequate resources. How to make fifty cents do the work of a dollar is a question that State Convention Boards often, but vainly, attempt to solve.

CO-OPERATION.

The liberal aid and the hearty support of the Home Mission Society have proved an inspiration and a girding, not only to the missionary in the field and to the churches aided, but also to the Christian workers who have been intrusted with the management of the State Convention work. Wisconsin and Minnesota are looking forward with some anxiety to the time near at hand when the Society will withdraw its support, in order to bestow more labor on newer fields. These States, however, are blessed each with a strong body of pastors and laymen of large experience and sound judgment, who carry on their hearts the interests of the denomination and who are ever ready to give to State work time and money, thought and prayer.

The coöperation between the Home Mission Society and the State Convention in this District is most cordial and harmonious. All questions of importance and of interest to the work in the State are considered by the General Missionary and the representative of the Society together. Mutual confidence and perfect harmony have marked these deliberations.

GENERAL MISSIONARIES.

The district is particularly fortunate in the men who have been chosen to oversee the work in the different States. The wisdom, the tact, and the judgment shown in meeting and solving perplexing questions prove that each one of these General Missionaries is the right man in the right place. The progress of the work depends to a great extent upon the wise counsel and the faithful labors of these men of God. For detail of the work done in each of these States, the reader is referred to the reports of the General Missionaries. There are, however, some things in these reports to which attention is called.

WISCONSIN.

In Wisconsin Rev. D. W. Hulburt has earnestly endeavored to train the churches in the grace of liberality, and to put into practical working the wheel plan recommended by the Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

He has met with encouraging success. The tendency in the churches towards unification and consolidation in State work will be watched with much interest.

MINNESOTA.

The carefully prepared statistics presented by Rev. E. R. Pope in his report will repay well a thorough perusal and study. It is cause for gratitude and encouragement that two more churches have attained self-support, that five new churches have been organized, and twelve new buildings erected.

NORTH DAKOTA.

One year ago North Dakota was without a General Missionary. At the Board meeting, held in July, it was recommended to the Board in New York that North Dakota be united to South Dakota, under the oversight of Rev. T. M. Shanafelt, D.D., which recommendation was approved. The appointment has given to the churches in this State new hopes, and doubtless his long experience in General Missionary work will prove a great blessing to them.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Under the wise management of Dr. Shanafelt, the churches have met all of their financial obligations to the Home Mission Society in their co-operative relation. There has been during the year encouraging progress in the work. New churches have been organized; new houses of worship erected, and some churches have attained to self-support.

NEEDS.

There is no section of the country in which so large a proportion of the population is composed of Scandinavians as in these States. In Minnesota more than a third of the Baptists are in the Scandinavian churches. In the other States a large number of the members of the churches are also Scandinavians. In some communities we have already reached the transition stage, and the mother-tongue is being supplanted by the English. In some of these churches the English is used altogether in the Sunday Schools. There is, therefore, a growing demand for men who can use both languages. This qualification is necessary in order to retain the

sympathy and coöperation of the older members, and at the same time prevent the scattering of the young people, who in the order of things prefer the English. Scandinavian students in preparing for the ministry should be impressed with the importance and the necessity of being able to preach in both languages.

CHAPEL BUILDING.

In the majority of cases when a church undertakes to erect a house of worship, the inquiry is made at the outset, what aid may be expected from the Society. The probability that a gift may be received encourages the struggling band to arise and build. Without that expectation, they would hardly have had the heart to undertake it. When it becomes necessary to decline the application because of the exhausted condition of the treasury, the disappointment is very great, and the power of the church is crippled. What an impetus will be given to our Home Mission work when the Church Edifice Fund is placed on a basis adequate to the demands upon it!

PERSONAL LABORS.

I have been permitted to spend the entire twelve months in the service of the Society without interruption, preaching morning and evening almost every Sunday. I was in attendance to present the work of Home Missions at as many of the Associational gatherings as it was possible for me to preach. When meetings were held on the same dates, so far apart as to make it impossible for me to be present, one of the pastors was requested to speak in behalf of the work. I was present at the meetings of the State Conventions in each State of the District, and in Wisconsin and Minnesota led an early morning devotional meeting each day of the Convention week. I have been in attendance at the quarterly Board meetings, at which questions pertaining to the growth and development of the churches are considered, and the appointment and salaries of missionary pastors are recommended. I spent most of December in the South, visiting several of the schools aided by the Society, in order to obtain a more intelligent knowledge of the Educational Department of the Society's work. Since returning home, I have spoken repeatedly on this great work.

Miles traveled during the year, 22,700; sermons preached, 86; addresses delivered, 104; letters and postal cards written, 1,529; prayer meetings attended. 39.

WISCONSIN.

REV. D. W. HULBURT, WAUWATOSA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

In October, 1898, our State Convention recommended to the churches a State plan for Christian beneficence known as the "Wheel Plan." At the end of the first year just two-thirds of our English speaking churches had ratified the plan. Most of our largest churches were among the number. In many churches this was a complete revolution of the plan for beneficence which had prevailed. It was feared that the friction caused by the breaking up of old plans might produce a loss to our benevolent societies, but the fact is that the year before the adoption of the plan fifty-seven of our churches raised their full apportionment to the State mission work, whereas the last year sixty churches raised their full apportionment. Again, the previous year, the regular contributions from the churches for State work amounted to \$6192.81, but the year following the adoption of the plan it was \$6204.43. It is to be admitted, however, that there was a slight falling off in our general benevolence, but we think this was not due to the adoption of the plan, since, in current expenses, which are not effected by the plan, there was a much larger reduction than in benevolence. Something back of the plan was the cause of the reduction in the amount of money contributed to Christian work. We believe thoroughly in the plan. Its benefits are more than can be enumerated in this brief report.

MISSIONARY WORK.

The Board employed the past year forty-five missionaries. Our mission churches received by baptism 227. Of the Baptist membership in the State, 14 per cent. were in our mission churches, but 33 per cent. of the baptisms were in our mission churches. In the last decade 20 per cent. of our membership have been in mission churches, but 35 per cent. of our baptisms have been in mission churches. There can be no question as to the value of our mission work.

The District Missionary work is increasingly popular, and its excellent results are in many ways observable. We need the means which will enable us to put twice as many missionaries into the field as we now have. It would be a good missionary investment.

DANO-NORWEGIAN.

One year ago, at our annual meeting, we adopted a new plan for this work, as follows:

I. That the Wisconsin Baptist State Convention appoint three Danes

or Norwegians as members of the Board of the Convention.

II. That the Board thus constituted direct the Dano-Norwegian work just as fully as it does the American work, reviewing each application individually and voting on it individually.

III. That the Board appoint a Dano-Norwegian Missionary who shall do the same class of work and sustain the same relation to the Convention and the Board as the American District Missionaries do and sustain.

IV. That the Dano-Norwegian churches be encouraged to make offerings to the State mission work in Wisconsin just as our American churches make offerings to the State mission work under the immediate supervision of the General Missionary and the pastors of the Dano-Norwegian churches.

So far as we have been able to reach our Dano-Norwegian churches, and explain this plan, it has proven eminently satisfactory to all concerned.

OUR SWEDE WORK

This work is in a very gratifying condition. Since it began thirty years ago, not a single Swedish Church has ceased to exist. Most of these churches are in places where there are no English speaking churches, hence the importance of this work.

The trend in Wisconsin is toward the consolidation and unification of our State work. Our Sunday Schools, Young People's Societies and Mission Circles used to be recognized as societies related to the church. We are coming rapidly to recognize that the Sunday School is the church studying the Bible, the Young People's Society is the church in training for Christian work, and the Missionary Society is the church studying missions. We used to have half a dozen societies related to the church simultaneously at work raising money for as many different objects. We are now bringing during a given period a benevolent work before the entire church and congregation leading all to give attention to and concentrating on one object until the offering to the object is made and then we all turn to another benevolent object. We are in the midst of this process and believe that there is still much room for improvement which will be made as the time ripens.

MINNESOTA.

REV. E. R. POPE, MINNEAPOLIS, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

It is very difficult, accurately and adequately, yet briefly, to describe the religious work and condition of the Baptist churches in a great State.

It is my understanding that these reports at least try to present not simply the mission work but also the condition and needs of the field from a Baptist standpoint.

WHAT WE HAVE.

In Minnesota there were on May 1, 1899 (the last date when statistics were gathered), 247 churches with 19,697 members. These churches and members were divided by nationality as follows: American, 131 churches, 12,038 members; Swedish, eighty-four churches, 5515 members; Dane-Norwegian, twenty-one churches, 1430 members; and German, eleven churches, 714 members. These churches hold property valued at \$1,148,744; they expended on themselves \$176,499.06, and gave away in beneficence, \$33,482.19; an average of \$10.10 per resident member for home expenses, and of \$1.91 for beneficence. During the year 1904 people were received into membership, 1017 being baptized. The net gain, as reported, was 539, being 12.8 per cent.; or, if divided among the churches, it would be 2.2 persons to each church. We regret the decrease in baptisms and beneficence, while we are glad that the other figures show increase.

In the Twin Cities (St. Paul and Minneapolis) we have twenty-six churches and 6901 members. Thus more than 10 per cent. of the churches and 35 per cent. of the members reside where about 19 per cent. of the people of the State live. Considered in this way, the Baptists form no inconsiderable body, and might be thought much stronger than they really are. There is another side:

WHAT WE HAVE NOT.

If we divide the membership of our churches we have an average of 79.8 members for each organization; and, if we take out the Twin Cities, the average is reduced to fifty-seven. Over the State sixty-eight of the churches have less than twenty-five members each. Thirty-seven of these are American, seven Dane-Norwegian, and one German; while forty-four churches have no regular services whatever, twenty-eight of these are American, twelve Swedish, three Dane-Norwegian, and one German. Eighty-eight churches have no pastors and fifty have no houses of worship.

The City of Boston, with 550,000 people, has eighty-three Baptist churches and 25,736 members, or one in twenty-one. Minnesota with 1,800,000, has 247 Baptist churches and 19,697 members, or one in ninety-

one of the population. The rate of increase per membership in Boston was 1.7 per cent.; in Minnesota 2.8 per cent. These facts are not very pleasant, but, if we would have a correct idea, they should be presented.

RAPID GROWTH.

The State is making rapid advance. It is said that 25,000 people settled in Northern Minnesota in 1899, and those in a position to know estimate that this will be doubled in 1900. Nearly 250 miles of railway were built in 1899, and at least thirty-six new towns established. Along one line Baptists already have churches, but on the others we are not represented.

Little Falls is a city 100 miles north of the Twin Cities. Draw a line east and west through this place across the State. There are fifty-four Baptist churches with 3524 members north of this line. Their gifts for the State Convention last year were \$686.39. These people are as liberal as the average Baptists, but their churches are weak and their means are small. Among the 400,000 people in this section there is an immense field for work.

The iron industry has increased until now Minnesota is the first State in the Union in the production of iron ore. But the mines are largely owned outside of the State, and the advance only means larger demands for work. Lumbering is one of our chief industries, but these communities, though greatly needing, are not very responsive to religious work. Agriculture is followed by possibly a third of the State's inhabitants; land is steadily increasing in value; farms are being improved. Yet the newer parts of the State see the log huts and dug-outs with needy people, many of whom are denied all gospel privileges.

Tokens of prosperity are to be seen in cities, towns and country, and every material advancement calls for a corresponding advance in religious equipment and work.

WORK DONE.

Baptists have not been idle, and according to their means are doing fairly well. Since our last year's report five churches have been organized, and new work begun in as many more places. There has been decided activity in church building. Twelve edifices have been erected, valued roundly at \$52,500. Of the churches organized two are Dane-Norwegian, one Swedish, one American and one German; while of those built seven are American, three Dane-Norwegian, and two Swedish. Seven of the twelve houses built received gifts from the Church Edifice Department of the Home Mission Society to the amount of \$1650. All

the churches organized are the direct result of the mission work of the State Convention and the Home Mission Society, and seven of the buildings are on mission fields.

During the year thirty-nine missionaries have been employed, serving forty-three churches and forty-nine out-stations. Besides these there have been eleven District Missionaries at work, and the whole force has numbered fifty-one. Altogether the gospel has been preached regularly in at least 125 places by these laborers. Into the forty-three mission churches, 358 have been received, 185 by baptism, and the membership of these churches stands at 2586, which is 13 per cent. of all the Baptists in the State, the percentage of increase in membership for the year being 5.8 per cent. Five thousand seven hundred and fifty-six sermons have been preached to congregations averaging 1997. Altogether the mission churches have raised \$22,634.07, of which \$1918.56 has gone into the various lines of denominational beneficence. During the year eight churches have been aided that never received any assistance previously, while work has been renewed on four others. Two churches have attained self-support.

FINANCE.

The State Convention by legacies received has paid off its old debt to the Home Mission Society, and its current expenses have also been provided for. So, in one way, the finances are in good condition.

But the increasing demands for work in the State, the lessened aid from the Home Mission Society, make our condition most serious. The Society will not contribute to Minnesota for mission work this coming year more than it will receive from the churches for its general work. While we may rejoice in this, yet it becomes a very serious question whether, if the proposed withdrawal of all aid occurs in 1902, Baptist interests in Minnesota will not suffer, and even the present standard of work have to be ruinously curtailed.

SOUTH DAKOTA AND NORTH DAKOTA.

T. M. SHANAFELT, D.D., HURON, S. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The two States of South Dakota and North Dakota originally constituted Dakota Territory. The Territory was divided February 22nd, 1889, and the two States named were admitted to the Union November 2nd, 1889. The area of South Dakota is 76,620 square miles. The area of North Dakota is 74,312 square miles. Total area 150,932 square miles. The population of the two States, according to the national census of 1890,

was as follows: South Dakota, 328,808; North Dakota, 183,719. Total, 511,527.

For a few years, or during the drouth period, the population constantly increased, but slowly. During the past three years the increase has been very rapid. Recent immigration to South Dakota has represented mainly English-speaking people. In North Dakota a very large percentage of the new population is of foreign birth, especially Germans. It is estimated that not less than fifty thousand people have recently settled in each of these States. They are located mainly in the newer counties in the central and western portions of the State on unoccupied quarter sections of land that had long been held for speculation.

The filling up of these sparsely settled counties will involve the necessity of increasing the number of missionaries, the organization of new churches, and the building of houses of worship. This means a necessary increase in the expenditure of missionary and church edifice funds. Retrenchment is therefore impossible, not only at present, but also for the coming two or three years, in South Dakota and North Dakota.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

There has been encouraging progress during the past year. Some new churches have been organized, and several houses of worship have been built or are in process of erection. Nearly all of the churches are supplied with pastors. There is a gradual increase in the number of self-supporting churches. Some of the weaker churches, that have long been pastorless and homeless, are maturing plans to secure pastors and build chapels.

Recently developed lines of railroad have resulted in establishing new towns and villages. Some of these will be centers of influence, and churches must be organized without delay. There is now a reasonable probability that one and possibly two railroads will be extended across the ceded portions of the Sioux Indian Reservation, from the Missouri River to the Black Hills. Most of that country is better adapted for grazing than for farming, and its population will consist mainly of ranchmen and herders of cattle and sheep. The day of large ranges for cattle is past. Large ranches will be comparatively few. The population is now rapidly increasing. Something must be done speedily to meet the religious needs of these people, and Baptists ought to be the first to move in this direction. These new lines of work will also call for a large expenditure of missionary and church edifice funds.

The Baptists of the State are now rejoicing over the successful completion of the undertaking to wipe out the long-standing indebtedness of Sioux Falls College. Realizing the necessarily close relationship between missions and Christian education, they expect to respond, to the best of

their ability, to the prospective effort to secure an endowment for the college. The fact that these movements to remove indebtedness and secure an endowment are necessary at the same time that the rapidly increased immigration requires an increase in missionary operations makes a heavy addition to the burdens of the Baptists of the State, and justifies an appeal to the East for assistance.

NORTH DAKOTA.

The writer's relation to South Dakota, as State Superintendent of Missions, covers a period of twelve years. His official relation to North Dakota covers a period of nine months, this State having been added to his field July 1st, 1899. A faithful effort has been made to become acquainted with the Baptist Churches of the State, in order to know their condition, needs, and prospects. Several new pastors have been secured, and several more are needed. The pastors who were found on the field are doing excellent and faithful work. The Scandinavian and German Baptists are aggressive and they are making encouraging progress.

Within a year or more several thousand Dunkards have settled in the State, mainly in Cavalier, Ramsey and Benson counties, especially in the country around Devil's Lake. Within a few days the newspapers have reported an addition to their numbers of nearly three thousand. Hitherto unoccupied portions of Bottineau and McHenry counties have recently been filled up by English-speaking settlers, mainly from Canada. Some of these people are Baptists, and others would soon become Baptists if missionary work could be begun there immediately. The opportunity for successful work there, and in many other localities, is now apparent, but at the April Board meeting the uncomfortable fact was made clear than on the carefully arranged scale of appropriations already made, the last dollar of missionary funds, available for the State, has already been designated.

North Dakota is and for several years to come will be missionary ground. The recent immense influx of new population will make advance movements imperative, especially in the central and western portions of the State. O for the funds necessary for the successful accomplishment of this work! Even with these distressing financial limitations progress has been made, but with increased facilities much greater results could be achieved. It is a general sentiment, expressed by many of the workers, that the Baptist cause in North Dakota is on the up grade.

In the number of States South Dakota and North Dakota constitute one-half, and in their combined area more than one-half, of the Upper Mississippi District, which is under the wise and successful superintendence of O. A. Williams D.D.

TRANS-MISSISSIPPI DIVISION: IOWA, MISSOURI, NEBRASKA, KANSAS, OKLAHOMA, INDIAN TERRITORY, NEW MEXICO, COLORADO, WYOMING, MONTANA, SOUTHERN IDAHO, UTAH.

N. B. RAIRDEN, D. D., OMAHA, NEB., GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

The past year is the first in which I have been able to give my entire time to the matter of general superintendence of the Society's operations in this Division. The appointment of Rev. D. D. Proper as District Secretary a little more than a year ago has relieved me from all responsibility for collections.

I desire first of all to express my gratitude to our kind Heavenly Father, who has so graciously spared our missionaries, and given us so many evidences of His favor. Two missionaries only, Rev. E. F. Elton and Rev. B. F. Hampton, of Southern Idaho, have been called to their reward.

The year has been marked by spiritual growth and aggressive work along all lines. Reports will probably show the largest number of conversions and baptisms of any past year.

Up to December most of my time was given to visiting fields and becoming acquainted with the peculiar conditions, not only of each mission field, but of the churches in general, and of prospective mission fields, both in localities where we have churches already existing, and also at points where we hope to organize churches in the near future. During this time, however, plans were being devised for a thorough reorganization of the work as relates to general superintendence. Heretofore information came to me from each mission field only by a personal visit, or in a purely incidental manner. I was, therefore, at a great disadvantage, there being no method by which to receive information directly from the fields. To meet this condition a plan has been devised by which every missionary under appointment writes to this office the first Monday in each month, giving a somewhat detailed, but condensed, report of the work of his field during the previous month, carefully noting any changes which have taken place, or important matters which would affect the present or future condition of the field; also outlining, where consistent, any special plans which were to be carried out in the near future. With my present knowledge of each field obtained through personal visits, and these monthly reports, I have been able to keep in the closest possible touch with every missionary and every mission field. This has been of great advantage in every way. I have been able by it to write a comprehensive

letter about the 15th of each month, to the Corresponding Secretary, giving him the salient points respecting our work in each State and Territory. This has been of great advantage to our missions and missionaries. A letter of encouragement here or there to some discouraged brother has inspired him to go forward with his work, believing that God would give the victory. Some missionaries, who possibly needed a little stimulus, have felt that they must have something each month to report, and have therefore been encouraged to more aggressive work, and to undertake some definite line of work which could be pointed to as a direct result of their labors. In some instances missionaries and churches have been advised against unwise plans which they were about to put into execution.

It has been a distinct benefit to the Society's work in that both missionaries and churches have been led to feel that the Society had a great interest in each missionary, and each field. It has saved the General Superintendent many thousands of miles travel, and the Society the expense connected therewith. He has been able to touch and influence our mission work in a score of places, where, by personal visitation he could have reached only one. Of course the plan would not be effective except for the former personal visitation and acquaintance with each field and missionary. While this plan was only put into operation the first of January last, it has already proved itself a great gain over former methods. Three hundred and sixty-two missionaries have been under appointment during the year in this Division.

IOWA.

Rev. E. P. Bartlett, our efficient General Missionary and Secretary of the State Convention, has done effective work during the past year. Owing to overwork he was obliged to take a long vacation. However, the reports of the year show a decided advance upon the previous year. The Convention closed its books October 15th with a deficit of about \$1600. Since that time receipts have largely increased over the same period of the previous year, and there are marked evidences of growth throughout the State. The appropriation from the Society's treasury for the year ending October 31st last, was reduced to \$1000. For the present year the appropriation will be reduced to \$500, and November 1st, 1900, the State will become self-supporting, and receive no further aid in its mission work from the Society's treasury.

Hundreds of miles of new railroads have been built in the northern part of the State, and more than a score of important towns have been laid out. In some of these we have already organized churches, and others are contemplated.

There have been thirty-seven missionaries under appointment during the whole or part of the past year.

NEBRASKA.

Rev. F. M. Williams served the State efficiently until December 31st, when Rev. C. W. Brinstad was chosen as his successor. Distinct progress has been made during the past year, and the outlook is most hopeful for the year to come. The returning tide of prosperity had not effected the income for religious work until about the middle of the past year. Contributions already since January first have indicated a marked increase.

The year began with two district missionaries in the field, but one of them, Rev. L. W. Terry, resigned September first to accept a pastorate in Denver. Since then only one district missionary has been employed, but plans are already matured to fill his place. Many new towns are springing up and some new lines of road are being built. It is quite probable that the coming year will show a marked increase in this respect, and our forces are organizing to occupy these new towns and villages as they are established. A distinct advance the past year has been the appointment of a missionary for the Danes and Norwegians, Rev. Jacob Olsen, so well and favorably known for his work among the Scandinavians in South Dakota. A district missionary has also been employed for full time among the Swedes, Rev. A. O. Arnquist.

For the year ending September 30th, the Society appropriated directly at the rate of \$4500 for mission work. For the present year the appropriation will be at the rate of \$4000 in addition to the help given for church edifice work.

There have been thirty-nine missionaries under appointment during the past year.

KANSAS.

The great burden of debt which was left by the late financial reverses has now largely been removed from our churches. It is said that some \$30,000 of church property has been saved to the denomination during the past year by the efficient labors of our General Missionary, Rev. E. B. Meredith. The progress during the past year has, however, not been confined to this line of work, although no material progress could be made without a large share of attention being paid to this matter. Several new churches have been organized and missions established in important places.

Two district missionaries have been under appointment, one for the northwestern part of the State, and the other for the southwestern. These have wrought very efficiently under the direction of General Missionary Meredith. A district missionary has also been supported among the negro population, and another for part of the time among the Swedes. It is felt by all that we are entering upon a period of greater growth and prosperity to our Baptist cause in this State than for many years in the past.

For the year ending September 30th the Society appropriated directly at the rate of \$4500 for mission work in Kansas. For the present year the appropriation will be at the rate of \$4000, in addition to the help given for Church Edifice Work.

There have been sixty-three missionaries under appointment during the past year.

MISSOURI.

Our work in this State has been confined to work among the colored people. Two missionaries have been under appointment, Rev. H. N. Bouey, as General Missionary, Rev. John Goins, as District Missionary. The Society has also made a gift of \$200 toward the new church building at Noel.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

For several years the Territorial Convention has requested organic co-operation with the Society, and after due consideration, beginning with July 1st a plan of co-operation was arranged by which the Society added six dollars to every dollar given by the Baptists of Indian Territory for mission work. Rev. C. Stubblefield was appointed General Missionary, Dr. J. S. Murrow as District Missionary to the Indians, Dr. Daniel Rogers as District Missionary for the northern part of Indian Territory, and Rev. G. W. Hall and Prof. Gordon as District Missionaries to the colored people.

Forty-five missionaries have been under appointment for all or part of the year, beginning April 1st.

For a number of years past there has been a great deal of friction between the forces in Indian Territory, co-operating with the Home Mission Society, and those co-operating with the Southern Baptist Convention. A conference was held at South McAlester, March 6th, in which representatives of the Home Mission Society, led by Dr. Morehouse, and the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, led by Dr. Ker-

foot and of the two territorial organizations participated. After much prayer and earnest consideration of all interests, a plan was devised satisfactory to all parties, by which beginning the first of next October co-operation will be secured. With all our forces united, there is no question but that a great future awaits our work in this important territory.

Too much cannot be said in commendation of the Educational Work being carried on, especially for the Indians at Indian University under the leadership of President Scott and wife. The great need there is for a new building to accommodate the consecrated young men and women, who desire to fit themselves to carry the gospel to their own people. Schools have been maintained also at Atoka and Tahlequah.

OKLAHOMA.

The same condition of affairs which prevailed in Indian Territory has prevailed in Oklahoma, and a conference was held at Oklahoma City, March 9th, in which the same representatives of the Home Mission Society and of the Southern Board met the representatives of the two local organizations in that territory, and a similar plan of co-operation was devised and adopted. Those who have watched the progress of affairs in these territories cannot but thank God for this happy consummation.

The Oklahoma Baptist Convention, which was composed of those who were in sympathy with the plans and work of the Home Mission Society last year earnestly requested co-operation with the Home Mission Society, and a plan was devised which went into operation November first. Rev. L. J. Dyke, who for nearly ten years has been General Missionary of the Society there, became the General Missionary of the Convention. Forty-one missionaries in all have been under appointment, and God has greatly blessed the work.

NEW MEXICO.

Greater progress proportionately has been made in New Mexico in some respects than in any Territory in this Division. The Society worked here independently as there is no general organization in the Territory. However, it is hoped that within a year or two such an organization can be formed when the Society stands ready to go into co-operation with it on some practical basis.

Six new churches have been organized by missionaries of the Society. Rev. L. R. Millican, of El Paso, Texas, has rendered invaluable assistance in the work here. A new church has been organized at Deming, an

important city in the southwest corner of the Territory. There has been decided progress made on almost every field. This is especially true of Albuquerque, where Rev. Bruce Kinney is our missionary, also at Raton, East Les Vegas and other points. The population is rapidly growing, and new lines of road are being built. We need to greatly enlarge our work in New Mexico; \$5000 is the least which we ought to think of expending in purely missionary and church edifice work. Rev. John W. Crooks, our General Missionary for Colorado, also served New Mexico in the same capacity.

There are said to be at least 150,000 Mexicans in New Mexico. They are largely under the influence of Roman Catholics. The only aggressive work we are doing for them is the work done at the school at Velarde, where Rev. W. H. Rishel and wife are doing a most self-sacrificing and successful work in reaching the children and young people, and through them the parents.

We ought to have a District Missionary at once who should give his entire time to work among the Mexicans. Ten missionaries have been under appointment for all or part of the year.

COLORADO.

Rev. John W. Crooks has served as General Missionary during the entire year, and has led in a most aggressive work. The number of missionaries has been largely increased. The year closed October 31st with all obligations paid and \$1000 in the treasury of the Convention. The Society has appropriated at the rate of \$4500 for missions during the past year.

Colorado is rapidly developing in many directions, especially along mining, agricultural and horticultural lines. There is probably not a State in the Union where the development is more rapid at the present time than in Colorado, and as Baptists we ought at once to greatly increase our missionary forces, as well as our expenditures for Church Edifice Work in that State. Seven thousand dollars is imperatively needed from the Society's treasury for the coming year.

There have been forty missionaries under appointment the past year.

UTAH.

Our mission work in Utah has suffered greatly on account of the agitation which resulted in the refusal of a seat to Brigham H. Roberts in Congress. The bitter feeling between the Mormons and anti-Mormons

has been much increased. Mr. Roberts attributes his defeat largely to the work of the missionaries of various denominations. However, good progress has been made upon several of our fields.

A new church has been organized at Mercur, a place of 5000 inhabitants, and most self-sacrificing work is being done by Rev. J. O. Burroughs and wife, who left a comfortable pastorate at Madison, Indiana, to go to this field, where, owing to the condition of the Society's treasury, we were unable to promise support beyond expenses in coming to the field. The Lord has marvellously cared for them, and the cause is making solid progress under their leadership. A new pastor has been settled at Provo; also at the East Side Church, Salt Lake City, where recent conversions and baptisms are reported. The work at Ogden was never in a more flourishing condition than at present. Appropriations to that field are being reduced year by year. The First Church, Salt Lake City, is the only self-supporting church we have in Utah, and that is self-supporting only because of the self-sacrifice of Rev. H. B. Steelman and wife.

Rev. L. G. Clark, of Helena, Mont., is General Missionary of this State as well as Southern Idaho, Montana and Wyoming. Seven missionaries in all have been under appointment during the year.

SOUTHERN IDAHO.

This Division includes about five-sixths of the territory of Idaho. We have two associations, the Idaho and the East Idaho, but no State organization. During the past year a splendid advance has been made as a result of the Society's entering into co-operation with the churches in doing missionary work on a basis of giving \$10 for every dollar raised by the churches for mission work.

Rev. L. G. Clark, the General Missionary, has done most efficient work, and already three times as much money has been contributed by the churches as in any previous year. There seems to be a very bright future for our work in Idaho. Our forces are greatly weakened by the death of Rev. E. N. Elton and B. F. Hampton, who were very efficient in their work. Twelve missionaries have been under appointment.

MONTANA.

At the meeting of the Montana Association a plan of co-operation with the Society was adopted by which the Society gives eleven dollars for every dollar raised by Montana Baptists for their State work. This has

given new life and inspiration to our denominational work. Plans are being devised for laying hold of new and important fields. A church has been organized at Billings and a missionary settled upon the field. Other points will be taken up as rapidly as possible.

Rev. L. G. Clark, our General Missionary, whose home is at Helena, is greatly loved and trusted by the Baptists of Montana and has led in every way in this aggressive movement. There have been sixteen missionaries under appointment the past year.

WYOMING.

This State gives promise of very great advance along all lines during the years to come. It has been reported that from 500 to 1000 miles of new road will be built in Wyoming during the present year. One line, if not two, is practically assured into the great Big Horn Basin. Already Mormon emissaries are on the ground and propose to pre-empt this great rich valley for Mormonism.

We have one missionary on this field, and three little struggling churches. We ought to have at least two more to begin work immediately. The work at Sheridan has made rapid progress during this present year, almost, if not quite doubling, in resident membership. Cheyenne is still struggling under the burden of debt which has almost dragged the life out of the church,—the legacy of unwise leadership of a former pastor.

The great iron and coal districts in the southeastern part of the State are being developed; also the oil district in Central Wyoming. We need \$5000 for mission work in Wyoming the coming year.

INDIAN MISSIONS.

During the past year we have had twenty-two missionaries and their wives who have given their entire time to work among the Indians, and nine native preachers, whom God has called from their ranks into the ministry. Good progress has been made, both among the civilized and uncivilized tribes, but much more could have been done if supplies of men and money had not been so limited.

KIOWAS.

The missionaries among the Kiowas have continued to reap during the year, and much good seed has been sown, which will bear fruitage in the

years to come. Rev. H. H. Clouse and G. W. Hicks have been our two missionaries among these people. Samuel Ahatone has also been under appointment as Missionary Interpreter a part of the year. Something like twenty in all have professed faith in Christ, and most of them have been added to the two churches.

CHEYENNES AND ARAPAHOS.

Among the Cheyennes good progress has been made in both churches. Rev. Philip Cook, a native preacher, is located at Watonga, and is doing efficient work. Our missionary, Rev. F. L. King, has been doing pioneer work among the Arapahoes, and sowing the seed from which we are sure a bountiful harvest will come by and by.

OTHER TRIBES.

Progress has also been made among the Comanches. A chapel has been built among the Caddoes, and a parsonage among the Arapahoes.

Rev. D. N. Crane and wife have been supported by the Woman's Society of Boston, among the Wichitas. He has also labored among the Caddoes.

The Women's Baptist Home Mission Society of Chicago has supported missionaries among the Cheyennes, Kiowas and Comanches during the year.

One of the most important things to be done for this people is to seek out young men whom God has called to the ministry and encourage them to take a course of training at Indian University that they may be prepared to preach the gospel to their people. This is true of both wild and civilized tribes.

A DISTINCT ADVANCE IN THIS DIVISION.

Beginning with January 1st, Rev. F. L. Rozelle and wife were appointed Missionary Evangelists to work in this Division. They have labored at Sheridan, Wyoming; Billings, Livingston and Bozeman, Montana, and from present indications the Society never did a better thing than in entering upon this line of work. Help can be given to many fields in this way, which will result in so strengthening the churches that large saving will be made in our regular mission funds. Probably half of their salary and expenses will be contributed in free-will offerings for their support in the places where they labor.

CONCLUSION.

"Lift up your eyes and look on the fields for they are white already to harvest."

"Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

As Baptists we shall fall far short of our duty and privilege if we do not largely increase our forces in New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Southern Idaho, Montana and Wyoming during the coming year. Some fields can wait, but, the emissaries of evil will pre-empt the ground if we do not move at once in taking hold of these rapidly developing States and Territories. No excuse can relieve us from this responsibility.

PERSONAL SERVICES.

I have traveled 38,849 miles, delivered 149 sermons and addresses; attended eighty-five prayer meetings; made 560 visits; paid for traveling expenses \$378.85; postage, express, telegrams, etc., \$187.04; stationery and printing, \$50.25; for stenographer, \$131.90; office rent, \$60.00.

IOWA.

REV. E. P. BARTLETT, DES MOINES, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

RETROSPECT.

As I pen this report of work done in Iowa, the past year, I am reminded of two important events. First, this is the last report that will be made from Iowa in this century. Second, coöperation with the Home Mission Society, so far as our mission work is concerned, ceases with the outgoing year, and this is the last report to be made under the old regime.

It is fitting that we pay tribute to the almost parental care that has cradled the infancy, watched over the childhood, solicitously guided the youth, and rejoiced over the maturity of the denominational work in Iowa. We speak most appropriately of the "Mother Society." It is weighted with many of the responsibilities of motherhood. Anxious care, wakeful nights, many prayers, earnest counsel and much money have been expended by it. Its officers bend prematurely under their burdens, and heads whiten early for the great reaper under the accumulative labors.

We are in the position of young manhood standing on the threshold of a new departure. Our hearts swell with regretful tenderness in parting with the old, yet we look hopefully into the new. We still hope to sometimes see the loved face of Dr. Rairden in our midst, and we desire so to

comport ourselves that those who have been our help and dependence in the past may feel that their labors have not been in vain in the Lord.

We realize the gravity of the step we take as these relations are severed. We are about to enter a new epoch. Has the care we have received given us flabby muscles? or have our sinews been gathering strength? Have the thousands of dollars expended upon us made us selfishly grasping? or do we more fully feel the force of the words, "Freely ye have received, freely give?" A glance into our past may nerve us afresh for the work before us.

When, at Iowa City, in 1842, the brethren organized themselves into a body, called the Iowa Baptist General Association, auxiliary to the Home Mission Society, the population of Iowa was not quite 40,000. No roads, no bridges; railroads unthought of; the only means of travel, on foot, horseback, or in lumber wagons. We had only fourteen churches, with a membership of 386, and no literature aside from the little possessed by families.

It was a brave undertaking to subdue the soil and make homes on the prairies, and hand in hand with this work make citizens for the heavenly city. At the second annual meeting of this body there were reported seventeen churches, ministers, eleven; baptisms, ninety-four. In 1854 the Convention began to consider "maintaining missionaries in their own name and by funds of their own raising." A Missionary Board was appointed at the meeting at Mt. Pleasant the following year, a collection of \$18.50 and pledges to the amount of \$175.00 taken; but it was not until a year later that a missionary was appointed, Rev. I. M. Seay, now living at Clarinda. In the same year, at the end of the first quarter, Rev. R. King, the second missionary, was appointed. The receipts for that year were \$285.40. From these beginnings have we grown to a population of 2,058,069. Cities and towns dot our well cultivated prairies. So well developed is the State that only the northwestern portion can be considered new, and here enterprise is pushing lines of railroads and towns are springing up as if by magic.

THE WORK.

The Baptist constituency numbers nearly 40,000, and the past year their gifts for State Missions and Chapel Building amounted to \$8121.29. We have the names of 466 churches on our record. Of these twenty-nine are colored and represent a membership of 875; thirty-two Scandinavian, with a membership of 1905; 1451 baptisms are reported the past year: Forty-four of these were among the Norwegians and Danes, and thirty-one among the Swedish brethren. Five new churches have been organized, thirteen out-stations established, and several new fields entered. Three

people have labored together an entire year and not one soul has been new church buildings have been dedicated. While we are by no means pessimistic, we can but feel grave apprehensions for our religious work, when we consider that the average number of souls born into each church is only about three, and that in very many of our churches a pastor and given them. Something is radically wrong when a church is so shorn of power. God is not slack concerning his promises, and faithful sowers have the promise of reaping. "Awake, thou that sleepest" must ring in clarion tones if we are to save the great unsaved in our midst and have a part in ushering in Christ's Kingdom.

THE LABORERS.

Thirty-eight missionaries, including the General Missionary, have been under appointment during the year. They have served fifty-six stations and out-stations, rendered 1114 weeks of service, preached 3964 sermons, attended 1458 prayer meetings, made 7925 religious visits, baptized 113 persons, received by letter and experience 138. The total membership of these churches is 2115. The total contributions were \$12,096.34, of which \$1192.71 was for benevolent purposes. It is a noteworthy fact that while the amount raised by our mission churches is something over \$3660.00 less than last year, their benevolent contributions are nearly \$220.00 more.

Four missionaries, including the District Missionary, have labored among the Norwegians and Danes. District Missionary Anderson has wrought very effectively, having himself baptized nineteen of those who have been converted. One by one he has plucked them from their superstitious belief, for it costs them almost as much to break away from their old faith as for the heathen to give up their idols. While preaching for a few days in a large settlement, he could hardly get a place to sleep for pay and was once obliged to give ten cents for a cup of tea; whereas, had he been a Lutheran every door would have been thrown open to him. So great was the prejudice at another point, that, on New Year's night, cold as it was, he came near having to remain out of doors. Finally, after nine o'clock in the evening, a family admitted him and became quite friendly as he explained why he taught as he did. Not only is the way of life being made plain, but the obligations of Christians to maintain and spread the gospel. The sums given by these little bands shame Christians who have always known the way. One church of eighty-nine members contributed \$143.69 for benevolence; another, of eighty-seven, \$101.00.

Among our Swedish brethren three missionary pastors and one District Missionary, Rev. August Olson, have labored. He has spent a good part of his time among the weak and pastorless churches, encouraging and strengthening them. He has also visited six new fields with a view to

organization, if thought wise. The Swedish Conference pays one-half their missionaries' salaries, and at the close of the year there was a balance in our treasury to their credit of \$95.85.

Our two English-speaking District Missionaries have labored nobly and zealously throughout the year, and yet they have been able to do but little of the work that ought to be done. This work calls for self-sacrifice, consecration, patience, sound sense and much grace. It is a work owned of the Lord, for nine-tenths of the churches organized for the last five years have been by District Missionaries.

Two State Evangelists were appointed last fall, who have labored faithfully to the upbuilding and encouragement of many of our weak interests.

The Convention now owns four tents which are kept constantly in use during the warmer months. By means of them the missionaries are able to capture strategic points and hold meetings where no accommodations for service could otherwise be found. Scattered Christians are gathered together and revived, sinners are converted, a church is formed and a religious influence set in motion whose extent only eternity can reveal.

FUTURE NEEDS.

As in the past, so we emphasize again the importance of a true estimate of the character and place of State Missions. While a backward glance furnishes just cause for profound gratitude, it does not furnish ground for a halting place. As we step over the threshold of the new century the cry sounds still louder for men and means to make this beautiful land Emmanuel's. From the Northwest come loud calls for men to enter the new towns and take and hold them for Christ. From our rich country districts the bright young men and women who crowd the occasional preaching service appeal most strongly to the missionary's heart. So long as the hundreds of Scandinavians pour in and make their homes among us, will the call come for faithful, prayerful work. The hundreds of Negroes within our borders demand our sympathy and patient aid in developing the right kind of independence, for which they intensely long.

The Iowa plan, which, so far, seems the best to systematize our contributions, and which is generally being adopted, needs to become general and strenuously observed.

While the quarter which closed January 31st was the best first quarter, spiritually and financially, in our experience, there is a profound need that as Baptists we be aroused to the necessity of increasing our contributions for State Missions, to make up for the aid withdrawn by the Home Mission Society. We are well able to supply the deficiency. The question that confronts us is, *will we?*

At a meeting led by one of our great evangelists, where five thousand well dressed people were congregated, the collection revealed three or four

hundred pennies, besides other monies of small denominations. Two weeks before, much the same audience crowded the auditorium to hear the world's most famous pianist. The receipts for the evening were nearly \$4000.00. *Dollars for self and cents for the Lord* is not His call to twentieth century Christians. May His Spirit so fully enter in and take possession that the scales may fall from all eyes and we see light in God's light.

NEBRASKA.

REV. C. W. BRINSTAD, OMAHA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Rev. F. M. Williams, after serving two years as General Missionary, relinquished the work December 31st, 1899, with the love and esteem of all who were associated with him. The present incumbent assumed the office January 1st, 1900. This report must necessarily, therefore, be based on a somewhat limited experience, together with former reports of Bro. Williams.

The total numerical strength of our churches is about 15,000 members. We have received by baptism, during the year, about 600. The total value of our church property is \$482,000. The year's record shows that about \$83,000 has been paid for local work and over \$12,000 for missions.

Nebraska has now practically recovered from her financial depression and is entering upon an era of great prosperity. In most of our towns and cities newcomers have as much difficulty in finding suitable houses to rent as landlords had a few years ago in securing tenants. New railroads are being built and new town sites located. Large areas in the western part of the State are being redeemed to permanent settlers by improved methods of irrigation.

MISSIONARY NEEDS.

Among the people moving into the State are large numbers of Baptists from different parts of the country, many of whom locate in communities where there are no Baptist Churches. These must either be taken care of by us or they will, as a rule, be lost to our denomination. In several places there are good prospects for the organization of churches if financial aid could be extended toward the support of pastors. One General Missionary, four District Missionaries and thirty-four Missionary Pastors have been employed during the year for part or full time. Two more District Missionaries and twenty additional Missionary Pastors could be profitably used if the funds necessary were available. Because of the mixed condition of our population and the high degree of intelligence among our citizens we need men of considerable ability and wide experience who are willing to serve our churches on small salaries. Such men

can bring things to pass for the glory of God in almost any part of our State.

All in all, Nebraska is second to no other State in the Union as a missionary field. The prospects for the growth of our churches were never better.

KANSAS.

REV. E. B. MEREDITH, TOPEKA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The resources of this young empire, 200 by 400 miles of inhabitable area, are just beginning to be developed. It is apparent as never before that it will in the near future support an immensely larger population than at present. Its agricultural products of grain, stock, and dairy are now enormous, but traveling over its prairies one sees that not half its agricultural resources are yet developed. Its coal, gas, oil, salt, lead, and zinc are just being discovered and making demand for mining and manufacturing centers that are already being built. This increase in population now taking place will probably be slower and more permanent than in former years. There is less display and fewer mortgages. The actual work of development is taking the place of speculation. It is necessary that our churches should keep pace with this growth, but we may reasonably expect more settled and substantial churches in the future.

ACHIEVEMENTS.

The churches are putting on a more permanent and prosperous aspect. The Lord has greatly blessed the efforts of his people. The work of the last five years has largely been that of regaining ground lost during the years of panic and drowth. Old and harrassing debts have been paid. Buildings have been repaired and put in order. Houses have been repurchased that were lost on the mortgages. New houses have been built. We now have the best material equipment that we have ever had. Only a few troublesome debts remain. Last year five new churches were organized, fourteen new houses dedicated and as many more cleared of their debts. More churches are supplied with good pastors than ever before. A good many fields have become self-supporting each year. Our people are becoming more united and little differences of polity and practice resulting from the variety of places from which we came have been dropped. These steps of progress have made heavy calls upon the funds of the Home Mission Society, but the money is bearing fruit.

At our last State Convention we rejoiced over the progress made, but could not report a year of large ingathering. We wondered if perhaps we had not spent our forces too largely upon the material equipment of

our churches. Since the Convention, however, we have enjoyed a remarkable revival movement in nearly all our churches and feel that the Lord is placing his approval upon the sacrifices of his people. We are being blessed far beyond the other denominations of the State. Present indications seem to suggest that the Baptists can, if they only will, take the leading place.

PRESENT CONDITIONS.

We have now 617 churches with a membership reported of 40,495. Of these, 160 churches with 10,330 members are colored. These churches are scattered over the entire area of the State and many specially in the western part are small and weak bodies. Most of the larger centers of population are occupied and the churches self-supporting, or nearly so. Yet we have about twenty county seats and not less than 100 places of more or less importance that could and should be taken up, that we have not been able to reach as yet. Our State Convention, which coöperates with the Home Mission Society in supporting the mission work of the State, has a debt of over \$1600.00 contracted in bringing the work to where it is to-day. The Society has patiently aided us by carrying this, for which we are very grateful. We have no churches or members in the State who are financially strong. Even the ablest churches are pressed to care for their own fields. There is no large commercial center in the State, and so all our mission funds must come from collections from the many small churches.

MISSION WORK.

During the last year we had under appointment for all or part of the time, sixty-three different missionaries. This includes fifty-eight Missionary Pastors, the General Missionary, Rev. W. Wilber, of Southwest Kansas, and Rev. J. R. Rairden, of Northwest Kansas, who have been doing excellent service as District Missionaries on these fields for several years; Rev. J. H. VanLeu, the Colored Missionary, and Rev. Aug. Johnson, Swede Missionary. These pastors had care of seventy-four churches and fifty-three out-stations, while the District Missionaries aided and visited over 240 churches. Of the 1428 baptisms reported in the State, the missionaries baptized 385. Five churches were aided in building their houses for the year ending last October. The missionaries aided in raising debts on twelve or fifteen more. A large proportion of the whole work in the State is helped by missionary money each year. It is a critical time with us, and a large amount of mission work must be done the next few years or we shall fail to profit by the opportunities now offered us.

THE FUTURE.

We are encouraged and feel that we have now a fair basis of self-supporting churches to work with. Yet the opportunities are great and the doors seem to open wider for aggressive work. We need from ten to twenty new houses built next year and could use \$2000.00 to good advantage in securing their erection. We must meet the demands of the growing cities and take some new fields, and it means that we cannot curtail our missionary force. In Western Kansas we need a couple of itinerant missionaries to care for the scattered flocks. We would like to try the experiment of putting a good worker there with a missionary wagon. There are isolated communities all through the western third of the State that it is hard to reach in any other way.

The work among the colored population appeals to us strongly and we ought to increase our efforts in their behalf.

We appreciate the help we have received from the Home Mission Society in a financial way, the helpful oversight of our Superintendent, Dr. N. B. Rairden, and all the general interest of the laborers of the Society that has done so much to build up what we have. Still we are a mission field and shall have to look to the Society for help for some time to come. We are, however, making progress and hope, before long, to become a self-sustaining State.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

REV. CORTEZ STUBBLEFIELD, DUNCAN, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The report of my work from the first of July, 1899, up to the present time is as follows:

Churches visited, forty; Associations, five; weeks service, thirty-nine; sermons, 277; addresses, ten; prayer meetings, sixty-one; religious visits, 107; baptized, ninety; communion, one; churches organized, three; cash collected, \$331.34; pledges, \$748.50; total cash and pledges, \$1079.84; traveling expenses, \$134.20; postage and stationery, \$15.53; miles traveled, 6542; letters, 341.

I have been welcomed wherever I have gone. In addition to the conversions we have had, the churches have been helped in many ways. They have helped in getting the pastors' salaries, paying off several church debts and encouraging the churches to make some necessary improvements in different places. We have thirty-eight missionaries at work, all of them good men, and are doing very efficient work. We are trying to encourage our churches to become self-supporting as soon as possible.

THE INDIANS.

J. S. MURROW, D.D., ATOKA, I. T., MISSIONARY TO THE INDIANS.

There are over thirty thousand full-bloods among the five civilized tribes. In no respect can they be said to be in a prosperous condition. Numerically they are constantly decreasing. There are very few families with a large number of children. There are many families with no children. Nor can they be said to be, as a general thing, healthy. Scrofulous affections are very common. Many are poor and seem to be growing poorer. Many live in unhealthy homes and upon unhealthy and insufficient food. This has not always been their condition. In my experience of forty-three years I have never known the outlook for the full-bloods to be so gloomy as it is at this time. They never recovered from the devastating effects of the Civil War, and, in later years the large immigration of the whites among them seems to have had an injurious effect. Certainly their material and spiritual condition was never so low. A letter received this morning from Rev. George Colbert, a full-blood Chickasaw, contains a sentence that will give a correct idea of one feature of the situation. "Nearly all Indians have no place they can hold as home or farm. White man got possession of Indian's homes by rent, he say, first time, but now it is white man's home and farm and poor Indians get no rent and cannot get home back and cannot help ourselves. We have lost home and farm." There are three hundred thousand whites in this Territory and they control everything. Among the Choctaws and Chickasaws especially, the full-bloods are relegated to the hills and unfertile portions of the country.

I regret to say that all mission work among the full-bloods, is also retrograding. There are fewer churches and members now than five years ago. As their worship is conducted in their own language very few whites unite with them. Rarely does a white preacher visit or preach to them. Their churches are nearly as distant from the whites as are the Negro churches in the Southern States. Of the twenty-two Associations, three are distinctively Indian. During the past year the Home Mission Society has ten of these full-blood preachers in its employ on salaries ranging from \$25 to \$150. These men are pious, active and faithful. As a sample of their work the following is the report of Rev. Daniel Bird, a Cherokee: Weeks of labor, fifty-two; sermons preached, 165; religious visits and prayer with families, 245; baptized, twenty-two; miles traveled, all on horseback, 1423; traveling expenses for the year, \$3.35.

This brother receives a salary from the Society of \$50 a year. The expense to the Society among these thirty thousand full-bloods during the past year, including my own salary, will not exceed \$1500. Notwith-

standing the difficulties and discouragements the work has been very helpful to the Indians. But for this work their condition would be far worse than it is. While it is true that some of the old churches have been broken up by removals and death there have also been some new churches organized at new stations and in new fields. Another hopeful feature is that they are recognizing the fact that if the Lord's work is to be carried on successfully among them they must not depend upon the whites. They recognize in the Home Mission Society one of their best friends and their gratitude and appreciation are sincere. I trust the Society will continue its interest in the work among the full-blood Indians of these five tribes. "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of the peoples in the United States, ye did it unto Me."

OKLAHOMA.

REV. L. J. DYKE, OKLAHOMA CITY, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Our work for the past year has been carried on under some difficulties that it is not easy to make plain to those who must depend upon a written statement for their information.

Owing to the fact that both the Home Mission Society and the Southern Board have their representatives in the field, there is necessarily more or less friction. This has never been so manifest as during the past year. Until one year ago, the churches in sympathy with the Home Mission Society's work have been connected with what was known as the Oklahoma and Indian Territory Convention. These embraced nearly all the towns, and very many of the country churches.

TWO CONVENTIONS

About four years ago the brethren connected with the Southern Board and others in sympathy with them, organized what is known as the Oklahoma State Convention. Thus we had two Conventions occupying the same ground. A year ago it was thought best by the brethren composing the Oklahoma and Indian Territory Convention to divide on Territorial lines. This gave opportunity to propose a union of Oklahoma Baptists in one Convention. Accordingly, a circular letter was sent to all the churches, as nearly as possible, inviting delegates to a meeting in Enid in June, for this purpose. It was found, however, when we came together, that such a union could not be effected, owing to the strong prejudices that existed, so we organized our Convention, calling it the Oklahoma Baptist Convention, when we adjourned to meet in Oklahoma City, October 31st for our first regular Convention meeting.

Drs. Morehouse and Rairden met with us, their presence and counsels

adding greatly to the interest of the meeting. Up to that time there had been no organic relation between the Home Mission Society and the Convention. Our missionaries were appointed by the Home Mission Society, while what missionary work was done by the Convention was independent. Through the advice and assistance of Drs. Morehouse and Rairden, a plan of coöperation was effected, which seems to be carried on at present in a very satisfactory way.

UNIFICATION.

The constant irritation between the brethren connected with the Home Mission Society and Southern Board was a serious impediment in the way of progress. We have all felt for a long time that an effort should be made to come to some understanding that would reconcile differences.

A conference of officials of the two Boards was called to meet committees of the two Conventions, which met in Oklahoma City the 8th of this month. A result of this conference has been to formulate articles of agreement by which the two bodies are to come together in one Convention next October, when it is agreed that "Landmarkism" and "Alien Immersionism" are terms no more to be heard as bars to the union of Baptists in Convention organization in Oklahoma.

As a further result of this conference it is agreed between representatives of the two Boards, that hereafter the Home Mission Society and the Southern Board shall contribute equally to appropriations to carry on missionary work in the Territory. It is profoundly to be hoped that a better day has dawned for Mission work in Oklahoma.

It has never been easy to secure sufficiently strong men as pastors for our important fields. At the beginning of the year several of these churches were without pastors. Now, however, all but two or three are supplied with good men, while the others are in a fair way to secure pastors.

MISSIONARY OPERATIONS.

We have had in the employ of the Society during a part or all of the year, thirty-nine missionaries, exclusive of the interpreters to our Indian Missionaries. We have had six missionaries among the Indians together with their wives, also three colored missionaries; one District Missionary for the colored people, and one District Missionary for the white people.

Heretofore I have not required from the missionaries duplicate reports, so that I am not furnished with data with which to give a tabulated statement of the work done, such as number of weeks of labor, sermons preached, prayer meetings attended, moneys collected and paid out, etc.

The year has been one of comparative financial prosperity. More money has been raised and expended than in any other. A number of

churches have paid off in part or whole troublesome debts. Others are still oppressed by such debts.

CHURCH EDIFICE WORK.

Owing to a deficiency in the Society's Church Edifice Gift Fund we have been compelled to refuse a number of churches aid, where aid was very much needed. This has been a sore disappointment to some of the brethren. They have been inclined to say, "You have helped others but refuse to help us." It was not easy always for your missionary to explain, and at the same time encourage and retain the loyalty of good brethren.

We have only aided two churches during the year in building, one white and one colored. We have built one parsonage among the Arapahoe Indians at an expenditure of \$400. The Society has been very generous in its gifts to Oklahoma for missionary purposes, about \$8000. We trust that the constituency of the Society will approve of this expenditure, and that God may abundantly bless it.

There are now several meeting houses begun that must wait completion for want of aid. There are several others needing to be built, where brethren hesitate to begin because I cannot encourage them to expect aid. Would that brethren of means would put into the Society's hands this much-needed money. We need one thousand dollars in hand very badly, and within the year to come a thousand more to be parceled out in from \$100 to \$300 gifts. Including houses now begun, we ought, without fail, to build ten meeting houses this year. In every case our cause will suffer unless these houses can be built.

Space will not permit me to speak of individual cases as I should be glad to do, and as I have reason to believe would be of interest to many.

An epitome of my personal work during the year might be made in the following brief statement: I have preached ninety-two sermons, made twenty-five addresses, attended thirty-four prayer meetings, written 996 letters, traveled 8310 miles. I have sought to establish in all our churches plans of systematic benevolence, so that I have taken but few collections for mission purposes.

COLORADO.

REV. JOHN W. CROOKS, DENVER, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The year closed has been marked by the abounding favor of God. The work has been characterized by a truly solid growth. All our mission churches are in a very hopeful condition, and a feeling of widespread expectancy exists. Our missionary pastors are as fine a body of men as ever responded to the "Macedonian cry." Almost to a man they are made of the stuff from which the Lord has called Apostles, Martyrs,

Prophets and Christian Heroes. They have planted the old blood-stained banner of Calvary on many a rampart of sin in Colorado.

My report falls into three divisions: Colorado, Colorado as a Mission Field, and Colorado as a Mission Field for the Baptists.

I. COLORADO.

The following reasons will yet make Colorado one of the foremost States of the Union. (a) *Climate* amid these snow-crowned, sun-crested crags is found a climate that has delivered thousands from the consumptive's grave. (b) *Mineral Wealth*. The gold output last year was as large as that of any other four States, including California and Alaska. At the present, the output is increasing at a rate that defies a prophecy for the future. The State produced last year as much silver as any other two States. Our resources are tremendous and as yet almost untouched. (c) *Agriculture*. The phenomenal growth in agriculture during the last few years is an important factor. The soil of Colorado will yet support many millions of people, it is one of the most fertile in the Republic; the only thing lacking is water, and that will be furnished when eight or ten great reservoirs are built to dam up the mountain gorges and hold the snow as it melts from the mountains. (d) *Horticulture*. It is being discovered that this soil and climate are marvellously adapted for this purpose, consequently thousands of people, many Baptists among them, are making fortunes out of their fruit.

II. COLORADO AS A MISSION FIELD.

Out of a population of 650,000, we have less than 40,000 members of Evangelical Churches, and only a little over 8000 of these are Baptists. For the full significance of these figures to be felt, it is well to note the contrast between these statistics and those of other States. Colorado will then be seen as one of the most enticing missionary fields in the world. Mississippi has one Baptist to every four of the population; Texas, one to seven; Iowa, one to forty-seven; Nebraska, one to sixty; Kansas, one to thirty-five, *but Colorado has only one to every eighty-seven of the population*. We have here centers in which are gathered hundreds, and at some points thousands of people—people many of whom are from the East, educated and scholarly—but the matter of religion and the salvation of their souls never seems to give them a moment's consideration; for the Sabbath is never thought of, much less observed, and in many of these places they have absolutely no preaching or religious services. Christian people in most cases go down before the tremendous pressure of sin and worldliness. We have throngs of people here. We have

wealth almost untold. We have education and culture. We have 'sin—unadulterated—such as probably the world has never surpassed since the days of Sodom and Gomorrah. My own opinion is that it is impossible for human beings to sink deeper in depravity than it is the case in some of our mountain camps and towns. Consequently, because of the large population, the great wealth, the deep depravity and the awful Gospel destitution, Colorado is the greatest fields for missionary operations that the United States will present.

III. COLORADO AS A MISSIONARY FIELD FOR THE BAPTISTS.

(a) Because of what we are doing.

Last year we had under appointment thirty-four missionaries, making four more than the preceding year. We organized more churches than in any previous year of the Convention's history. Making a total of fourteen churches or fields either organized, reorganized, or whose support has been undertaken by the Society for the first time. Another feature of our work is the great step forward in the matter of church building. Eight new churches being dedicated and four more in the course of erection. This is a larger number than in any two years of the last ten.

(b) What waits to be done.

Six hundred thousand out of 650,000 to evangelize. Scores of prosperous cities, camps and centers (that have no regular preaching) to open up. We ought to build not less than ten—it would be better to build fifteen—churches during the present year. We ought to have the money forthcoming to keep two District Missionaries under regular appointment. Baptists of America, we have an opportunity in Colorado such as will in all probability never come again. This State is open to any religious body. Mohamedanism or Mormonism might yet prevail; in fact, this State yet remains to be lost or won from the standpoint of religion. May God grant that Baptists may avail themselves of the wonderful opportunity.

NEW MEXICO.

REV. JOHN W. CROOKS, DENVER, COLO., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

A very strange condition confronts us in this rapidly developing Territory. A population of some 250,000 people, 200,000 of whom are Mexicans, with an imaginary line dividing it from Mexico. The great bulk of the Mexican population of the Territory are nominally Catholic, but, in fact, they are outside of the pale of all churches. This can be very easily seen, as I think that there are only twelve resident Catholic priests in the Territory. Santa Fé is, of course, the great center both of Mexican

power and Catholic authority. Here the Archbishop rules with much the same surroundings that one will find in some archiepiscopal See in Spain.

GEOGRAPHICALLY.

New Mexico is almost unknown to the people at large. The relics of a former civilization that abound are worthy of study. The Aztec, the Cliff Dweller, the Spanish, the Mexican, the Indian, and the present American people, have all contributed to make it a strange and yet a delightful country. The reason that the geographical and physical conditions of the Territory enter into the missionary problem, is because they show that this district is suited to and will yet support a large population. Like Colorado, the determining feature, as regards agriculture is water. This is supplied in the winter by the heavy snow in the mountains, and devices will yet be secured which will hold the water, which rushes away in the melting of the snow in the spring. From the standpoint of mineral wealth the Territory is as yet largely unexplored, but enough has been found to assure the future to be great with promise.

RELIGIOUSLY.

The prevailing religion, of course, is the Catholic. And Catholic in its very worst form. The Catholic Church dominates—in a large manner—the political conditions that exist. For it is true that while the great mass of the Mexicans do not in fact belong to the Catholic Church, yet they have a lingering suspicion that the priest, after all, may be able to do them harm in the future life, for the Mexican is always a very superstitious person. Consequently on the whole, he would prefer by far to be on good terms with the gentleman who says that he has the keys to Heaven. It is by this power that the Catholics are enabled to control the Territory.

THE PENITENTES.

In my report last year I stated that this schism from Catholicism is to be found in nearly every part of New Mexico. I also stated that they inflicted terrible punishment upon themselves, even to the extent of crucifying one of their number. This seemed to many so terrible that it was hard to believe. I want to say in this report that my statements made a year ago are not only true, but that I have secured a great amount of additional information which proves to me that these terrible outbursts of annual fanaticism are even worse than most people (who are conversant with these affairs) have believed. My work, carrying me into all parts of the Territory, proves that this is now being done with great secrecy, mostly in the night and in remote places, sometimes in the houses or their

churches; but they no longer do it in the open manner that was done a few years ago. The method is for the penitent to plait and braid a thick whip, and for each one to whip himself over the shoulders on the naked back. This is kept up until the person can whip himself no longer, because his strength is exhausted. A gentleman told me a few days ago of seeing a Mexican thus whipping himself when at last his back lacerated, raw and blood running from a score of wounds, and so weak, yet persistent, was the poor sufferer, that at last every time he struck himself he would knock himself down. Thus it is that thousands of these poor self-deceived sufferers are seeking to do something to pay the penalty that they feel is due to sin. Shall we deny them the light of our Saviour's gospel when they are seeking by such desperate methods to wipe out their sins? I am pleading and praying that we may be able to appoint this year at least one missionary to these people.

OUR AMERICAN MISSIONARY WORK.

In our earnestness for the Mexicans we must not let the work done among our American Churches pass unnoticed. We have nine pastors under appointment. This does not include the teachers in the Mexican Mission school at Velarde, which is doing good work, but is not under my supervision.

Recently churches have been organized at Las Cruces, Deming, Capitan, Nogal, White Oaks. This is especially gratifying, as our work has not had very rapid growth in the past few years; this is a greater number than has been reported for a long time, perhaps in any one year of our history. Some of these are important places.

Plans are now being made for the organization of an Association in the northern part of the Territory.

The two most pressing needs at the present time are the same as we stated a year ago. (1) The appointment of an English speaking district missionary; (2) the taking up of the Mexican work in a systematic and persistent manner.

MONTANA, SOUTHERN IDAHO, UTAH AND WYOMING.

REV. L. G. CLARK, HELENA, MONT., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

In Montana, South Idaho, Utah and Wyoming the Home Mission Society has assisted in the support of thirty missionary pastors during the past year. These workers have been widely scattered over this vast territory. Twelve in Montana, eight in South Idaho, five in Utah and five in Wyoming. In addition to these we have four pastors in charge of self-

supporting churches, two in Montana, Helena and Butte; one in South Idaho, Boise City, and one in Utah, the First Church, Salt Lake City. In Montana we have twenty-two church organizations, in South Idaho, nineteen, in Utah seven, and in Wyoming eight.

Some of these churches are very weak and are struggling for an existence. The small number of workers and churches does not, however, fully indicate the significance of the missionary work that is being done in these great mountain States. Each year gives increased emphasis to the fact that the Gospel seed being sown here through the instrumentality of the Home Mission Society, will, in due time, yield harvests that will gladden the hearts of all who have our cause, and will also abundantly justify all the expenditure of money and labor which these difficult and costly fields seem to demand in these early days of their history.

SOME RESULTS.

The past year has been, in many respects, the most satisfactory in our history thus far.

First—There has been a deep spiritual interest manifest in a number of our churches.

Second—An unusually large amount of indebtedness has been removed. Never before have so many of our churches been able to report all debts paid.

Third—The growth in benevolent contributions has been noteworthy.

Fourth—Interest in the State work has been awakened in a marked degree. As a result of this Montana and South Idaho have entered into organic co-operation with the Home Mission Society upon a plan which is calculated to encourage and develop the spirit of self-support in the States as well as the individual churches. Our General Superintendent of Missions, Dr. N. B. Rariden, has done much to bring about this most happy arrangement, and in this and other ways he has rendered service of great value to the Baptist cause in these States during the past year.

Fifth—The new plan of Missionary Evangelistic work, under the direction of Rev. F. L. Rozelle and wife, has been attended with gratifying success thus far.

Sixth—The development of the missions and out-stations connected with some of our churches has been very encouraging. Especially has this been the case in Butte City, Montana, where we have three flourishing missions, one of which is the Chinese Mission, which has built a fine chapel during the year. And one of the others is now planning to build a chapel. Such are some of the encouragements which the past year has brought to us in our work.

TRIALS AND DIFFICULTIES.

But the year has not been altogether free from difficulties, perplexities and sad experiences. In the first place, death has taken from us two of our beloved missionary pastors. Both of these brethren were members of the First Idaho Association, one its moderator and the other its clerk. Rev. E. N. Elton, of Salubria, had been, for eight or nine years, one of our most faithful Idaho pastors, and Rev. B. F. Hampton, of Nampa, was one of our most promising young ministers in Idaho. As yet we have not been able to find men to take the places made vacant by the death of these dear brethren. In the second place, some of our brethren have been called upon to pass through grievous trials and afflictions. One has been basely slandered, another has been brutally assaulted, and many have had to endure hardness, as good soldiers of Jesus Christ. In the third place, trouble and dissension has arisen in some of our churches, which has been very difficult to settle. And in the fourth place, we have had a few sad experiences with unworthy men in the ministry, who have sought to get a foothold among us.

So, "We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."

ENLARGEMENT DIFFICULT.

There is a growing demand for enlargement of our work in all these States. Yet this is impossible, to any great extent, with our present financial resources, as this is one of the most expensive sections of the country in which to do missionary work. Churches cannot be established and brought to a condition of self-support without a large expenditure of missionary money.

Still, there are some growing centers of population, such as Butte City, Montana, and Salt Lake City, Utah, where we cannot afford to neglect to strengthen and enlarge our work. In both these places we need a good City Missionary to care for the missions already established.

Butte City has a population estimated at about 60,000, and we have but one Baptist pastor there. It is impossible for Bro. Noftsinger to fully care for all the Baptist work that ought to be done in that great and growing city. If five or six hundred dollars could be given toward the support of a City Missionary to work under the direction of the Butte Church, the church could provide for the rest of his salary, and he would enable the church to greatly enlarge its work.

It would doubtless cost more to support a missionary to work under the direction of the First Church of Salt Lake City, but my conviction

is that the support of such a missionary would be most wise, if it were possible for us to enlarge our work in Utah. I believe we would do much better to strengthen our forces in the centers of population than to attempt to multiply organization in the small hamlets and villages scattered so widely over these sparsely settled States. And yet, I am also sure that there are some smaller towns, and even rural districts, which we cannot afford to neglect.

PACIFIC DIVISION: ALASKA, WASHINGTON, NORTHERN IDAHO, OREGON, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA AND ARIZONA.

C. A. WOODY, D.D., SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS.

In the general rearrangement of the work of the Society in the West this Division was created from the Rocky Mountain Division in 1898. It comprises the five Conventions of the Pacific Coast and the work in Alaska, Nevada and Arizona. Upon the death of the beloved Dr. Hubert C. Woods, so long identified with the superintendence of the Society's work in the West, the present Superintendent was appointed to the care of this field. In submitting this first annual report I wish to testify to the hearty coöperation I have received from all parts of the field and particularly from the General Missionaries of the various Conventions. I submit my report by States or Conventions.

ALASKA.

Our work in Alaska is as yet confined to the single field of Skagway. During the year a church house has been dedicated which is the first meeting house completed in that city. It is well built and furnished. The dedication services were attended by Dr. Morehouse and myself, and the offerings at that time provided for the full payment of bills. The liberality of the citizens of Skagway toward this enterprise is worthy of special mention. Pastor J. C. Jordan has continued his labors during the year with gratifying additions to the membership of the church. We greatly need to enlarge our forces in Alaska, and ought at once to occupy the field at Juneau and Douglass City, where there is now a population of more than five thousand and where in all probability the permanent capital of the Territory will be established. We need to have lots, meeting house and resident pastor at this point as it is one of the certainly permanent centers of population in this whole field. We ought also to send an evangelistic missionary into the region of the Cape Nome mines where the most conservative estimates say there will be 100,000 men by the end of July. We owe a duty to these men which can be discharged only by sending them gospel missionaries.

EAST WASHINGTON AND NORTHERN IDAHO.

This field, perhaps, more than any other on the Coast, is settled with native American stock. The population is steadily and rapidly increasing and many new fields are claiming attention. General Missionary Allyn has been able to secure a number of new men, several of them from our seminaries, for his field. The matter for greatest rejoicing on this field lies in the completion of the chapel of the First Church of Spokane. This, when, furnished, will have cost somewhat more than \$20,000, and is an ornament to the city and a monument to the zeal and faith of Dr. Van Osdel. But while this great work has been upon the First Church and the Grace Church has been preparing to build a suitable house, the city itself has not been cared for as its needs demand. There needs to be organized at once another church and not less than three missions, and these would call for the settlement of a pastor and a city missionary and a considerable investment in realty and houses to make the work the immediate success that it may be. These churches of which I have spoken can not undertake this work for two or three and perhaps more years, nor is the Convention able to undertake a very large part of it with its present resources unless it withdraw from some promising outside fields and neglect others for which it ought to care. Such fields as Lewiston in Idaho, with 6000 population, rapidly increasing, we must not neglect. Moscow, a thriving town, seat of the Idaho University, we must occupy strongly as we must also do at Pullman, Wash., where is the State Agricultural School with hundreds of students already drawn to its halls. Ellensburg and Sprague are the seats of State Normal schools, and are within the field of this Convention, and cannot be neglected. A score of other promising fields we must continue to occupy strongly. True the population of this whole Convention field is not more than 350,000, covering an area of nearly 70,000 square miles, and our strength as a denomination is less than 3000, but the rapid and steady growth in population will justify the largest anticipations as to future population and the present occupation of these growing centers.

NORTHWEST CONVENTION.

The present commercial activity on Puget Sound, about which clusters this Convention field, is in marked contrast to the stagnation of two years since. The cities and the regions adjacent are growing rapidly and the needs are multiplying. The Convention work is in most excellent condition. Work is carried on among eight nationalities and the calls are far more numerous than can be met. The special needs lie in the two cities of Tacoma and Seattle. In Tacoma the First Church has been heroically

carrying its great burden of debt and is now rejoicing in the promise of substantial help from the Society in the removal of the \$5000 maturing in March, 1901. Both here and in Seattle there needs to be a great strengthening of city mission work. The new work among the Chinese and Japanese promises well. The number of Japanese coming to this field is a marked feature. One thousand on one steamer recently landed and 500 followed on the next steamer of that line. How to improve the opportunity thus offered us will be more and more a problem. The special appropriation of \$1000 by the Society to open this work is being well expended, and opportunity for considerable enlargement will not long wait.

OREGON.

Conditions in this Convention have improved both financially and fraternally. The work is being carried on a larger scale than at any previous date, and the outlook at this time for providing for the debt, which has been for several years a burden on the Convention, and for the current expenses is very good. A larger number of the churches in the State are in fellowship with each other and the Convention work than we have been able to report for many years. The *Sentinel*, which has been used to stir up much contention, has been discontinued. Mining operations both in Eastern and Southern Oregon have grown greatly during the past year and the progress still continues. This is bringing a considerable number of new centers into prominence and calls for the occupancy of several new fields at once. The marked feature of denominational life in this Convention is the very small number of churches able to support a settled pastor giving his time to the one field. Only eleven of the 130 churches are thus strong. The weakness of so large a proportion renders the administration of the missionary work very perplexing. In addition to the support of several more missionary pastors than we have been able to provide for this year we need three district or associational missionaries in the State. We ought also to begin work among the 20,000 Dano-Norwegian people in the State, among whom the Baptists have thus far done nothing at all.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.

A study of this field even superficially will convince that both in its chief city and in all that part of the State lying north of it the religious destitution is greatest of any field on the Coast. The Convention has for some years been greatly hampered by a debt. Liberal offers from the Society of coöperation in an effort to provide for the whole of it has aroused an earnest effort to pay it off this year. With this has been joined an effort to provide suitable house and lots for our work in Palo Alto.

Progress already made seems to assure the complete success of both these efforts. Some enlargement of the work may then be possible. This Palo Alto work needs to be cared for with a liberal hand. This is the home of one of the great schools of the land, and it is to be greater than now. It needs to be remembered that its first class was graduated only in 1895, yet it is reputed to have an endowment of \$20,000,000 at its disposal. The village is also new and there are no strong, well-established churches on the field. With the new house as planned we shall be well abreast of other churches and ought to find a wide open door for usefulness if the work is cared for by an energetic and godly pastor.

The Gospel Wagon work has been receiving much thought from the Board, and it is believed that plans for its maintenance have been devised such as to insure its enlarged usefulness. In a large measure it can be made to take the place of District Missionary work and combines with this an excellent type of evangelistic work with some features of colporter work. I know of no other form of work which can so successfully fill many of the needs existing on this field, and I hope to see it enlarged and strengthened in coming years.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

This is the most compact of all the Convention fields of the Coast, and in some ways the best organized for its work. The lack of rain for two years or more has greatly interfered with all crops of grain and so some regions have been greatly pressed to carry on the work. The report of the General Missionary shows the points of progress. In addition I am glad to mention the final securing of a deed to the property at San Luis Obispo, whereby the Society's offer of loan and gift in the sum of \$1000 will put our cause there in a most hopeful condition. We should see some enlargement in the city of Los Angeles in the number of churches and missions, in both of which we have not kept pace either with the growth of population or that of other denominations. The loan made to the Orchard Avenue Church since the last meeting of the Anniversaries, has given that field new courage and it has had a large growth in membership and working force. The dedication of new houses at Whittier and Oxnard mark the occupancy of new fields from which we may hope for considerable growth. With enlargement in Los Angeles and the appointment of two District Missionaries as suggested by the General Missionary, this field will continue its substantial growth.

NEVADA.

We have but two organized churches in this State and the amount the Society has been spending has only cared for a pastor at Reno. But the

recent assumption of self-support by this church and the appointment of a District Missionary has greatly encouraged the few Baptists at several other points and we hope for two or three new organizations at an early day. But each of these will call for considerable help for church edifices if the work is to become permanent.

ARIZONA.

Five of the seven churches of this Territory are prospering. They have church houses, settled pastors and no debts. Only one of these is self-supporting, each of the others being liberally helped by the Society. Population in this field is increasing very considerably and in two districts we should begin work at the earliest date possible, the one along the line of the Santa Fé Railroad, with Flagstaff as a center, and the other east and south of Tucson, on the lines of the Southern Pacific Railroad, and the line running down to Guyamas on the Gulf of California.

In the whole of this Division it may be conservatively said that opportunities and destitution are growing faster than the churches are able to properly care for them. We shall still need the help and sympathy of the Society. In all parts of the field we need the addition to our working forces of some young, consecrated, well-trained men to take small, but promising, fields where the support is only moderate and make them strong and self-supporting. Our greatest prospective need of help will be in the direction of money for church houses and for enlarging our work among the foreign nationalities.

EAST WASHINGTON AND NORTH IDAHO.

REV. A. M. ALLYN, SPOKANE, WASH., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The field of this convention comprises that portion of Washington and Idaho between the Cascade Mountains and Montant, and has an area of 65,000 square miles. The present population—almost wholly American—is about 300,000, and is increasing at the rate of 20,000 to 30,000 per annum.

We have in this Convention fifty-one Baptist churches with a total membership of over 2700. Only three of these churches are self-supporting; twenty-two are without houses of worship; seventeen are without pastors, and eleven are without any preaching. Besides the General Missionary and the Chinese teacher, we have had under appointment of the Society during all or part of the past year, twenty missionaries, who for some portion of their time have supplied with preaching twenty churches and eighteen out-stations. The

average number of missionary pastors has been fifteen. The average number of churches supplied by them has been twenty-two. Including the work of the general missionary, our missionaries have preached 2370 sermons, attended 1026 prayer meetings, made 4780 religious visits, baptized 168 converts, and received into the churches by letter or experience 184 persons. Revival efforts have been more successful than for several years past.

Four new meeting houses have been erected at a total cost of about \$22,000, the one in Spokane having cost over \$17,000. These results have been made possible by the generous aid of the Home Mission Society.

The greatly increased cost of living has made it almost impossible for us to secure men of such ability as our fields require at salaries that with our limited funds we can afford to pay. For this cause several of our most important fields where we expected to have settled men by last fall, are still without pastors. Among the important fields now needing pastors are Lewiston, Moscow, Republic, Oakesdale, Davenport, and Cheney. However, we now have men in view for these fields. But we have been obliged to offer larger salaries than we had expected to pay. Where the money is coming from to meet these increased obligations we do not now see. But we feel that these fields must be cultivated for the Master, and we have decided to trust the Lord and go forward.

We raised for Convention Missions last year \$1150 and resolved to exceed that sum this year by several hundred dollars. But the low price of wheat and the general stringency in money matters will make it impossible for us to do so, and from present indications may reduce our collections below those of last year. The difficulty of raising money is mainly due to the poverty of our people and to the overburdened condition of our churches. The wealth of this country is mainly in the hands of the irreligious. At any rate not much of it is in the hands of Baptists. With our limited funds we are obliged to cut every appropriation down to the lowest sum that will enable the church to carry its work. This compels the church to devote every dollar possible for it to raise, to the support of the pastor; and the pastor is obliged to accept a salary that barely gives him a living. Thus both church and pastor are so heavily taxed in the support of their local work that neither can give much to the convention or any other object of beneficence. Besides, with so many churches pastorless, maintaining no regular services and taking no collections, all the money we raise has to come from a few churches whose local work lays upon them burdens far heavier than they feel able to bear.

We now have an opportunity to secure for our pastorless fields five or six bright, cultured, consecrated young men, all college graduates, just graduating from one of our leading Theological Seminaries. To locate and sustain these men, together with the work now in hand, will require

for the first year about \$1500 more money than we now have to appropriate. But the coming of these men will give a tremendous impetus to our work, and their continued presence and labors on these fields will, in the near future, put thousands of dollars into our denominational treasuries, besides leading to Christ many souls who might otherwise die in their sins. Several of these young men have decided to come to us in June. Shall we have the means to sustain them upon our needy fields?

The Chinese work is prosperous and is still under the wise and faithful management of Miss Fannie I. Allen, who is now devoting all her time to this important department of our work.

We are grateful for the continued co-operation of the Home Mission Society, and for the wise suggestions and kindly helpfulness of our Superintendent of Missions, Dr. C. A. Woody.

NORTHWEST CONVENTION—WESTERN WASHINGTON.

REV. WM. E. RANDALL, TACOMA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Comprising all that part of the State of Washington from the Cascade Range to the Pacific, and embracing the Puget Sound country, the Convention field is an attractive, rapidly-developing section of our country.

POPULATION AND PROGRESS.

Competent persons estimate the increase of population during the past year at above ten per cent., giving us not less than a third of a million people. Our cities are growing rapidly. Ambitious persons are pressing into the dense forests and mountainous regions, establishing homes and forming new communities. The open doors and earnest appeals for Gospel work are rapidly multiplying. Business depression that prevailed so long has been superseded by intense commercial and industrial activity. Eastern capital is being extensively invested in the development of our mines, fisheries and lumber industries. Western enterprise is alert.

CONSTITUENCY AND CONQUEST.

The 3735 Baptists are organized into seventy-six churches—fifty-six American, ten Swedish, four Norwegian-Danish, four Colored, one German, and one Japanese. Nine churches have been organized during the year. Fourteen new Sunday Schools have been organized. Sunday School enrollment, numbering 4293, has increased 25 per cent. within one year. Six meeting houses have been erected. Recent months have been especially resultful in conversions, baptisms and additions to the membership of the churches. The ministerial force of the Convention field has been

substantially increased by the coming of efficient men. Our churches are exceptionally well cared for by capable pastors.

MISSIONARIES AND MISSION CHURCHES.

Thirty-four different missionaries have rendered service during the year—the largest force ever employed upon the field. Forty churches and thirty out-stations have been cared for, in addition to the service of general workers. Twenty-eight men are under appointment at the close of the year. Co-operation with the Swedish Conference in sustaining a district missionary was inaugurated early in the year. Good results have attended the advance movement. Plans are adopted for the commencement of similar service in conjunction with the Norwegian-Danish Conference.

JAPANESE AND CHINESE WORK.

The year has witnessed the organization of a Japanese Baptist church, at Seattle, and the commissioning of a Japanese pastor as a member of our Convention missionary force. The work is carefully conducted and prosperous. True to the missionary spirit of a wide-awake Baptist church and pastor, a successful out-station has been established. It is voted to sustain a Japanese worker in Tacoma, and the Board is in quest of a man for the service. A Chinese missionary has entered upon service in Seattle under direction of our Board.

Christianity cannot expect a continuous favorable reception in the Orient if it ignores the moral welfare of the representatives of the races residing in our own land. A recently arrived ship brought an additional seven hundred Japanese to our coast.

The inauguration of this new missionary service was made possible through a special appropriation by the Home Mission Society of its *pro rata* of the involved expense.

FIGURES AND FACTS.

Existing conditions upon our field make the prosecution of Christian work and development of the religious life extremely difficult. Twelve only of each one hundred persons are identified with any religious denomination, Protestant or Catholic (but two political divisions of the United States—Nevada and Oklahoma—have so small a per cent. of church members as Washington); the secular spirit has become an atmosphere; exploiters of religious vagaries of every imaginable type, often professing superior piety, contribute to the problems that perplex churches and pastors.

Notwithstanding the difficulties, no Northern State or Territory with

500 or more Baptists in the year 1890 has experienced an equal denominational growth during the intervening time, as a return for the investment of missionary faith and funds. The general increase has been 40 per cent., but Washington has responded with 85 per cent.

The spirit of our people is illustrated by the action of our Board in recommending applications for missionary appropriations that will necessitate the giving this year by our limited constituency of a sum of money more than one thousand dollars greater than the offerings of the previous year. Additional worthy applications for three thousand dollars cannot be granted! Providential openings call imperatively for the appointment of six additional missionaries upon fields where Baptist work is inaugurated, and at least ten missionaries for promising new fields! Places with several hundred inhabitants are entirely destitute of the Gospel. Many people in rural regions experience months and even years of life's battle without hearing a sermon or seeing the face of a minister of the Gospel. After doing our utmost we are overwhelmed with appeals and opportunities!

RECOGNITION.

Eternity only will reveal the results from the fostering care and financial contributions of the Home Mission Society invested in our work. The success achieved, the hundreds won to Christian hope, and the larger triumphs of which we have foregleams must be attributed very largely to the Society's practical, substantial support.

The counsel of the Society's representatives has constituted a valuable element of assistance in the administration of the Master's work. Possessed of an extensive knowledge of Western conditions, and always ready to assist, Rev. C. A. Wooddy, D.D., Superintendent of Missions, has rendered service of exceptional value during the year.

OREGON.

REV. GILMAN PARKER, PORTLAND, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The Society in coöperation with the Oregon Baptist State Convention, has under appointment twenty-nine missionaries in the State. There is one General Missionary who has charge of the entire work in the whole field; one missionary giving his whole time to the work among the Swedes; one District Missionary for that portion of the State east of the Cascade mountains; one Associational Missionary in the Middle Oregon Association; one Evangelistic Missionary in Harney and Malheur counties; one Missionary to the Chinese in Portland, and twenty-three Missionary Pastors; thirty-four churches are supplied and sixteen out-stations have

regular preaching services. Funds to the amount of \$8500 are appropriated to support these missionaries. Of this sum the Society pays \$5500 and the Convention \$3000.

CONDITION OF THE CHURCHES.

There are 130 churches in Oregon, 110 of which are in coöperation with the Society and with the Convention; these 110 churches report for the past year: Members received by baptism, 549, and by letter and experience, 559; there has been a decrease of 600, leaving a net gain of 508. Only eleven of the churches in the State are self-supporting, these pay an average salary of \$1000 to pastors. There are ninety-nine non-self-supporting churches, scattered over a very large area of territory and having an average membership of forty-six; all these need and should have aid in the support of pastors. With our present force we are reaching with the Gospel fifty-one of these churches, leaving forty-eight of them destitute of religious services, except an occasional sermon preached by a visiting minister or missionary. These churches, with many new fields opening, are crying to us for the bread of life, and many will die without having heard the glad tidings of salvation.

AN IMPORTANT MATTER.

The Danish-Norwegian population of the State is estimated at 20,000, and increasing steadily. There are scattered here and there, some Baptists among them. This is an important work and must be taken up soon if we would do our duty by these people within our gates. A beginning should be made at once by the appointment of a missionary; a church ought to be organized at Portland, and shortly another at Astoria; \$300 put into this work now would lay the foundation of a splendid harvest of souls, and prepare the way for future enlargement of our Lord's Kingdom. A good man is now ready to take up this work, and if we had a little more money a promising beginning could be made this year.

NEW FIELDS OPENING.

There is a mighty rush of people to the gold mining districts of Eastern Oregon; recent discoveries and the extensive development of mining interest are attracting more than ordinary attention. Sumpter, Granite and Canyon City are receiving an immense multitude of people; it is estimated that the last two named will have a population of 5,000 before the close of the present year, and that Sumpter will be a second Cripple Creek or Dawson City. These extensive mining interests are owned by capitalists and mining companies outside the State, and they are reaping rich har-

vests from their investments; hence, because of non-residence, we cannot solicit them for contribution to our mission funds. The population of these districts will be composed of managers and overseers, miners, tradesmen and day laborers. There are scores of saloons, gambling houses and other dens of vice in full operation. But little religious work is being done, and none of that by the Baptists; we should send now, without delay, a strong man to each of these places. These cities will be permanent because the mines are inexhaustible, and after a while will look after their own religious welfare; but now is the opportunity, the missionaries can be had, we only lack the means to support them for a short period. Can we have larger help from the Society? Shall we let the opportunity slip?

NEW RAILROADS.

Several new lines of railway are being built, which are opening up new towns, where new missions must be established. The Columbia River and Southern road has now reached Shaniko, a point fifty miles south of the Columbia River. This road is opening up towns every few miles along its route, a few of which will undoubtedly become cities and towns of some importance. Shaniko is the present terminus, and is the headquarters of the road. Here are the repair shops and roundhouses; this is in the midst of the sheep and cattle pasture lands of the State, and will be a shipping point for an area of 30,000 square miles. In a short period of time a line will be built from the above point, on south, to meet another line that is being now built north from the Southern Pacific into Southeastern Oregon, and which is opening up a region that has scarcely been touched by gospel missionaries. We should have at once two District Missionaries in this quarter of the State.

THE LUMBER INTERESTS.

Because of the exhaustion of timber supply on the upper Mississippi and the Lake region, lumber manufacturing companies are turning their attention to our great untouched forests, large investments are being made and the consequent incoming tide of population will be very great, already it is large, and is demanding the attention of our Missionary Boards; new railroads and new towns are springing into existence with surprising rapidity. Missionaries need to be sent into these new fields, churches organized and meeting houses built. How shall we do it? Our Board of State Missions, for want of funds, had to cut down every application for aid this year, there was \$3000 more asked for than we had funds to meet. The Baptists of Oregon are not rich or even well to do;

they are everywhere struggling to support their own local church work and have but little left after that for outside missions. In some respects, however, our work in the State is more hopeful than for years; we are more perfectly united than for years; while we are bearing heavy burdens we are expectant; with stout hearts and unquestioning faith in God we are going forward; but let the Baptists abroad remember that we cannot go on without their sympathy and help.

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We gratefully acknowledge the sympathy and aid of the Society; the uniform courtesy and continued helpfulness of the Officers and Board of the Society, and the large-hearted sympathies of Rev. C. A. Wooddy, D.D., the Superintendent of the Pacific Coast Division; his large and wide knowledge of this field, with his acknowledged ability, has been a constant source of helpfulness to the entire Coast region.

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL CALIFORNIA.

REV. ROBERT WHITAKER, OAKLAND, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

In a material way the situation is improved. Crop prospects are good. Business looks better. The stress of hard times, and the ruin of the drought are still with us in some measure, but the outlook is better than for years.

Our churches are poor, but give well. Here are some facts worth repeating. This Convention covers about 100,000 square miles. Within this area are about 1,000,000 people, of whom a little more than 10,000 are gathered into some 120 Baptist Churches. Of these 120 Baptist Churches only 15 can pay to exceed \$900.00 a year for the pastor. About 25 all told can raise \$600 a year or more for a pastor. Our largest church has less than 700 members. There are only two churches of the 120 which have 500 members each. Our last report shows that 84 of the 120 churches reporting have less than 100 members each. There are eight or ten other churches which are yet unaffiliated whose aggregate membership is probably not more than three or four hundred. So that we have, counting all our little Baptist bands, about 130 churches, of which not more than thirty-five have to exceed one hundred members each. All our churches carry a large non-resident list so that if regard is had to the working force several more would fall below this limit.

The last five years have been hard years, but there has been very encouraging progress. We have ten Baptist bodies in three cities on this side of the Bay, if the Chinese, who have no separate organization, are

counted. According to the best figures at hand these churches, with an aggregate membership of about 1700 have raised for church improvements and for the liquidation of church debts during these five hard years nearly or quite \$30,000. It is said that the Baptists are doing more mission work here than any other denomination.

In San Francisco the historic First Church building has gone. But its mortgage of \$9000 has also gone, and the new building, though only temporary, is attractive and convenient, and—free of debt. Emmanuel Church has reduced its debt about \$4000 within this period. Hamilton Square has reduced its debt, and has raised over \$2000 to remodel its building. The Swedish People of San Francisco have built and nearly paid for a fine, centrally located church. In many of these instances cited the Home Mission Society has helped liberally, but the figures given do not include the assistance so generously rendered.

Fresno is the most important point south of San Francisco, in this field. There we have lost two churches within five years, but are to dedicate next Sunday a better building than either of them, which is practically fire-proof. A number of small churches have been built at other points, and old churches have been renewed. This last year three of our churches built or bought parsonages, and one or two are moving in that direction now. We have suffered some small losses, but they are insignificant as compared with our gains. The gains in a spiritual way cannot be tabulated but I think are even more encouraging.

We have raised over \$8000 in two years for State Convention work. Foreign Missions have been well supported on this field, and even now our College President is at work for an enlarged endowment for California College. In proportion to our numbers and ability I believe we have given better than the average of American Baptists.

But our needs are overwhelming. Sixteen out of our forty-eight counties with practically no Baptist work, some of them with no Baptist organization of any kind. Thirty or more of the seventy cities of 1000 or more of population, where the Baptists are not represented. Whole counties practically unevangelized, in which we have special opportunities for work by virtue of our Gospel Wagon plant. But where are the reapers? And who will feed and clothe them while they go into the harvest field?

SOME THINGS TO BE DONE.

There are some things we ought to do this year. We ought to put out three Gospel Wagons for District Missionary work. After much study it has been decided to combine District Missionary and Gospel Wagon work. One or two workers will be sent out with each wagon, and each wagon will be directly responsible to our Board. We have practically

only one wagon in the field now, and need not less than four to cover in any measure the great districts which are without railroads. We can give each wagon an area of several thousand square miles. In this way we may hope to reach with occasional services the innumerable villages and hamlets which are now altogether destitute of Gospel preaching, and which cannot in the nature of the case support regular pastors for many years to come. We are putting \$600 into this work, but ought to spend at once \$1500 to \$2000 in it. Other denominations are doing practically nothing of this sort, and the work has been laid upon us in a singular manner.

We need a good deal of money for church building. We must build at Palo Alto, where Stanford University is located. We have a good lot, and a good small membership. They have waited five years or more for a building. Nothing on this field is more important than that we build immediately and adequately at Palo Alto. We ought also to build at Hanford, a very important town in the San Joaquin Valley, and at Porterville in the same great section. These are both growing and leading cities of the great valley, and we cannot neglect them without serious loss to our cause for years to come.

We need several small country churches. At three or four points churches which are now supported in part by Missionary aid can be made self-supporting if work at adjacent points is well developed. Such development is in the direction of economy of missionary money in the long run. To make Towle self-supporting we need a building at Dutch Flat. To make Lakeport self-supporting we ought to build at Kelseyville. To make Wheatland secure in its independence of missionary aid we ought to re-establish our work in the adjacent city of Marysville. We ought also to build at Aromas, near Watsonville.

There has never been a time in the history of this section when our missionary work gave better promise in return for liberal support. We have a good corps of churches. We have an exceptionally good lot of ministers. We have extraordinary openings, both for rural and city mission work. We need more money and more men. The men are begging to come. I have half a dozen first class applications in hand just now. We lack only the means to support these men. Every one of them might have a great field, with almost unlimited opportunity for the development of Gospel churches, if we could but provide a living for a year or so. God has shown his willingness to send us the men. Will our brethren help us to get the money that the men may go into this work?

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA.

REV. C. T. DOUGLASS, PASADENA, CAL., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

In the Southern California Convention we have at the present time sixty-six churches, having a membership of a little over 6000. During

the past year there were 728 additions, but the losses slightly exceeded the increase. The contributions for home work amounted to about \$48,000, and for benevolence about \$9000. The present valuation of church property is \$270,000. The above does not include twelve colored churches having a membership of 557, which do not affiliate with our Convention. At the present time twenty-three missionaries are employed on twenty-seven different fields. Two of these are District Missionaries, and attempts are being made to have our missionary pastors care for more than one field each where possible. While this has been done in a few cases, owing to the distance between fields and the difficulty in inducing people to attend church in the afternoon, especially in the summer time, it has not seemed practicable in many cases. The importance of pastors and churches doing out-station work is, however, being strongly urged, with some good results. There has been considerable progress in our work the past year, and it is safe to say that it is on a more substantial basis than heretofore. One new church has been organized in the City of Los Angeles, a new house built and dedicated by the young church at Whittier, and a house rebuilt and dedicated by the colored church in Riverside. Also, before this reaches the eye of the reader, a church will be organized in the growing town of Oxnard, and a house of worship costing about \$2500 completed. For several months past there has been quite an unusual amount of spiritual interest in our churches, and many baptisms have occurred. Quite a number of our churches have, with the aid and encouragement of the Society, been paying off outstanding debts, and others are planning to build new houses or improve their present church homes in the near future.

SOME DIFFICULTIES.

One hindrance to the progress of our work is found in the fact that too many Baptists who come from the East do not feel the necessity of entering heartily into our work at once, and in too many cases identify themselves with churches of other denominations. But the greatest difficulty with which we have to contend at the present time is the drought, which has now been continuous for three years. So far this season the rainfall has been only about five inches. This means failure of crops in many cases, and very little fruit in those sections where the water supply is limited. Some of the churches receiving aid would be self-supporting with abundant rains, and all would be able to contribute more largely for benevolent purposes.

NEEDED WORK.

Our greatest need is more money with which to take up new work. Several small fields are now in need of pastors, but as the amount that can be raised on these fields is very small, at least until we get more abun-

dant rains, the amount necessary from the Convention would be larger than can be raised for the work. Two more District Missionaries are needed to work, one in Ventura County, and one in San Joaquin Valley, with Bakersfield for the central point. Then in the rapidly growing City of Los Angeles, already with a population of 120,000, two new churches should soon be organized. One in the West Lake Park section, the finest and most rapidly growing part of the city, and where there are said to be already about one hundred Baptists, but it seems useless to organize a church unless a house that will compare favorably with other churches can be secured at once. The other is on the West Side, in a growing section occupied mostly by the laboring classes, and where as yet there is no church of any denomination for quite a distance. Your General Missionary hopes to inaugurate work there soon, but it will mean a new house needed.

ARIZONA.

In the Territory of Arizona we have only seven churches, with a membership of about 400. Two of these are very small and weak, but the other five are now in quite a flourishing condition with energetic and successful pastors to lead them. A general revival interest has prevailed among them for some months past, and a goodly number of baptisms have occurred. A very comfortable and attractive house of worship was dedicated at Mesa last fall. On the whole our work, as far as organized, is promising, but there are many places where work should be undertaken as soon as possible. Just at present the great need seems to be two District Missionaries, one in the Southern and one in the Northern part. In both sections there are many growing towns into which Baptists are constantly coming, to either lose their interest in religious work or to be absorbed into other churches. In most of these towns having a reasonably assured future, the Methodists have located churches or mission stations, and are thus growing up with the country. Well would it be for our cause if our people would manifest the same aggressive spirit in its pioneer work. If a missionary was ready to take the northern section, I would organize a church of from twenty to thirty members at once in Flagstaff, with mission stations at Williams, Winslow and other places. That Arizona will soon have a much larger population than now is proven by the rapid development of its rich mines of gold, silver and copper, its extensive grazing land and great forests of valuable timber, as well as by its varied and delightful climate. Oh, for the means to seize strategic points and hold them for God and the future.

FRENCH MISSIONS IN NEW ENGLAND.

REV. J. N. WILLIAMS, PROVIDENCE, R. I., SUPERINTENDENT.

During the year I have visited for ordination, communion, special or ordinary evangelistic services, every one of our French mission fields in New England, and in fulfilling my annual task of reporting on our French work, I am thankful to be permitted, from personal knowledge and observation, to witness to the fact that the favor of God has rested upon this department of your great home-foreign work. No one of our fields has been without tokens of progress in conversions from Romanism, conversions to God and consequent baptisms. There has been, it is true, no unusual movement or break in the ranks of the mighty opposing forces, but a steady rescuing of the perishing, one by one, as by breeches buoys at life-saving stations, in spite of wind and wave. The five Eastern States of Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Hampshire and Maine, in which our Society has established French missions, have continued to co-operate, through their respective Conventions, with the exception of the State of Maine. Pleasing evidence of local interest in the missionary and his work came to us last summer, when some changes were thought to be necessary in order to fill vacancies elsewhere. From each field where removal or change was contemplated there was a strong protest sent in not only by the French congregations, but by the pastors and the English speaking churches as well. Two of our missionaries have dropped out of our work, but neither out of the French work under other auspices, and their places have been filled by approved and experienced workers, and we trust that the cause will not suffer loss.

Both our difficulties and our opportunities are increasing: Our difficulties, in consequence of the immense multiplication of all the appliances of Romanish control, magnificent edifices, parochial schools, convents, religious orders and a numerous and ubiquitous French priesthood. Thus the one French Church of Fall River of fifteen years ago, has grown into four immense parishes exclusively French, with great cut-stone edifices, each with parochial schools, convents, etc., and in Nashua, N. H., two of the costliest churches in the State, with all the above appliances of control, overawe the French of that city. Our opportunities, from the extension of the field by continued, and this last year, increasing immigration from Canada and consequent multiplication of centers of French Canadian population; and also from growth of intelligence and liberalism and willingness on the part of that people to listen to the Gospel message, especially in outdoor services; and also in consequence of frequent revolts of that people against the exactions and absolutism of a clergy frequently not of their own nationality, but of Irish or European training and habits. In

North Brookfield, for example, the whole French Roman Catholic population is in revolt against the Irish Bishop of the Diocese, and have gathered by hundreds as respectful listeners around the Gospel wagon, as a consequence of failure to obtain from their ecclesiastical authorities the privilege of separate French services.

RÉSUMÉ OF THE WORK.

This year I have asked each one of our fourteen French Missionaries to send me a brief résumé of the work in his own field and along with such general statement, what he himself considers one of the interesting incidents in the year's history. The following are the responses in the shape and order in which they have come. As they touch upon nearly all the features of our French work and that very briefly, we beg leave to submit them as the report of twelve more months labor among French Romanists in New England.

MAINE.

The Rev. P. N. Cayer, the only French Missionary now laboring among the 65,000 French in the State of Maine, writes:

We have in Waterville about fifty-three families of French protestants; a total membership of 120. The resident members come to sixty-eight. Since last April we baptized three. In addition to what follows, we have in Augusta seven members, all Roman Catholic converts. A new family, a young married couple, gave up Romanism recently. They are not baptized yet and expect to be soon. The work of the last quarter has been, we hope, a blessing to us all. The meetings have been good and fairly well attended. The seed has been sown with profusion. We notice a change in the Roman Catholics; they are more friendly to the Gospel; we have better access to them. I keep going to Augusta once in a while. A great interest is manifested among the Roman Catholics. I had a public discussion with one of the "Fathers" of the church in Augusta in November. There were present about forty Roman Catholics. The discussion took place at the house of the priest. We only spoke about three-quarters of an hour on baptism and the Lord's Supper. The good priest got excited and insulted me all he could. He threw my Testament on the floor and then stepped on it,—broke the cover in the presence of all the people. Then to put a finish to the scene, another priest present told everybody to go out. We all went out quietly feeling that something must be wrong with these pretended successors of the Apostles. May God bless the seed which was sown in the hearts of the people that day."

MASSACHUSETTS.

Rev. Arthur St. James says of his field in Worcester:

(1) Our work and people are very favorably looked upon by the American churches of the city. Proof: After seven years' service in this city of thirty-two different nationalities, the missionary was granted a two months' vacation and appointed a delegate from the Main Street Church to the Anniversaries in San Francisco, the expenses being paid by the Americans. (2) The preached word has been well received and in several cases savingly appropriated, resulting in eight baptisms. Several new families have joined our congregations, to take the place of those who have moved away or who have graduated into some of the American congregations. (3) A vast amount of work has been done by the Missionary and his wife. Seven weekly services are maintained the year round in the two chapels, besides from one to three cottage meetings a week are held as cases of interest may demand to bring about results. This cottage meeting part is most approved of God. Three years ago we worked prayerfully in the Gospel with a large family. They dropped out and we thought all was lost. Still we remembered the truth: "Cast thy bread," etc. Last summer a daughter with her husband from that family came to meetings, and you can better imagine our joy than I can picture it to you in words, when that couple, one Lord's day morning, after service, said: "We have accepted the Gospel and we both want to follow Jesus in Baptism." Six years ago I baptized a bright young man and his wife; they moved to Connecticut, but there they sowed the seeds of the Gospel. Last winter a brother-in-law of that man came to our city, and from the seed sown in Connecticut, in his heart, has developed a full fledged Baptist, a conscientious man who is now a member of our standing committee."

Bro. H. C. Sené, who took charge of the important field of New Bedford, when Rev. I. Lafleur was transferred to Lowell last August, writes:

"The change of pastor in this field has interrupted the work to a certain extent. Under the administration of the new pastor additions and subtractions are recorded. Three young disciples have left the Church of Rome to join the Church of God. A young man and his wife were baptized in October. One other, a young lady, will soon follow. With the help of a Bro. Papineau I have placed ninety-five copies of the New Testament in some of the best French families of this city."

Rev. J. C. Smith, whose ordination took place in the First Baptist Church of Salem the 26th of November, the interesting services being closed and crowned by his administering the ordinance of baptism to six converts from Romanism, thus speaks of his work among the French in Salem:

"Nothing extraordinary has happened during the past year, yet we must recognize that the Spirit of God has been with us. We have held

services every Sunday with good interest. Much good has been done by open-air services and visits from house to house; seventeen Testaments have been sold or let, and 4800 tracts given away. We have no place for holding a Sunday School, but I have been able to unite twenty French with Sunday Schools of the Baptist Churches. We number now thirty-one French members. The priest called lately at the house of one of our new converts. Stalking unceremoniously into the room, umbrella in hand, and striking it authoritatively on the floor, he said to the woman who was alone in the house at the time 'How is this, I don't see you any more at church saying your prayers?' 'I can pray in my house quite as well,' she replied. 'But you don't come to confession any more.' 'No, I confess my sins to God.' 'I'll not give you absolution.' 'Well, sir, I have received that from God already.' Thinking to frighten the poor woman into obedience, he brought down his umbrella with force upon the table, saying: 'Vous êtes damnée.' 'Please don't smash my table,' was her quiet reply. With great show of indignation he started for the door exclaiming, 'I am here in a house that is cursed (damnée) and the family in it is damnée.' 'Then you can walk out of it if you are afraid to be in such a place.' He certainly had waked up the wrong passenger. The family is well off, intelligent and deeply religious."

The Rev. Gidéon Aubin, our missionary in Fall River, the largest center of French population in all New England, reports:

"Families and persons religiously visited, 6000; New Testaments placed in the hands of Roman Catholics, ninety-two; pages of religious literature distributed, 47,900; baptisms, five; religious services held, 240. But these dry statistics give but a pale idea of the amount of work done and of its results. Our baptized converts are from the Church of Rome, with the exception of one. We are proud of them; they are pillars in the temple that we are building. We needed them. These victories have filled our hearts with joy and increased our courage a hundred-fold. At least four families have renounced Romanism and have intrepidly taken their stand on the Gospel's side, and thousands of Roman Catholics have been helped and illuminated by the truths presented in the literature that we have scattered. It has been a year of intense activity, of lively fighting, of rich experiences and of advance."

Rev. B. F. Benoit, our missionary in Webster, in addition to holding a regular Sunday service in that great center of French people, visits regularly as colporteur-evangelist a half dozen other places in Worcester county and devotes the summer months, along with Rev. E. Léger and others, as helpers, to Gospel wagon work, reaching thousands thus with the message of Gospel truth. He says of his field in Webster:

"Our mission here is very encouraging, the meetings are well attended. I have a new family, father, mother and seven children, just out of the

Romish Church. They are cruelly persecuted just now, but continue faithful attendants at our services. I expect that they will soon unite with us as members, though they are solely tried, and I am often asked if they will hold out notwithstanding. One of our French Protestants, though not a member of our church, was sent by his relatives to the Worcester Catholic Hospital, but with the full understanding that his religion should not be interfered with. I visited him and was introduced to the sisters as a Protestant minister. But I found that every effort had been made by the good sisters, notwithstanding their promise, to induce him to have a priest administer him. He firmly refused to yield to their solicitations to the last, and died professing his faith in the Saviour alone. I took part in the funeral service and had a good opportunity to speak to a large number of Roman Catholics."

Rev. Isaac Lafleur, transferred from his field in New Bedford to Lowell in June last, reports his present work thus:

"During these months of hard work and 'vigilia' many have been the blessings received from above. Our finances, both in the Mission and the Sunday School are in good condition. Thus far our Mission has paid its running expenses and has been able to add a few articles of usefulness to the church, including a piano, which is being paid on monthly installments. All our services are well attended. The average at our weekly prayer meeting is twenty-six. Several of our families have removed from the city to the surrounding towns, but others have come to take their places, both in our mission and in our Sunday School. We have had ten additions by letter and one by baptism; others are expected to come very soon. About \$175 have been raised for current expenses and incidentals."

Rev. F. A. Perron, ordained in December, writes about his comparatively new field, Gardner and vicinity:

"The past year has been a blessed one to us in our work in many ways. Our services are well attended, a live interest is manifested, we are united and each one seems anxious to tell others of the new joy in having found a Saviour. We have received four by baptism and one by letter. A family of eight had been visited and a New Testament of the Douay version was left in their possession. They attended our services and enjoyed them. A few Sundays ago the mother rose in her seat and said she had accepted Christ; the father also raised his hand to ask for Christians' prayers. A few days after this, the priest, having missed this family from his flock and hearing what was going on, thought he must look up his stray sheep. He called on them and inquired if Mr. Perron ever called. On being told that he did, he asked if they attended his services. They said they did. He then asked to see the book that had been left them. On its being shown him, he told them it was a bad book, that they must not read it, and, in spite of the woman's protestations, slipped it into his pocket

and departed. On hearing this I thought best to consult a lawyer about the matter. He sent the priest a letter notifying him to return the book at once or stand the consequences. The book was returned. A reporter called on the priest for particulars. The priest said: 'The reason I did not want the book to be in Mrs. T.'s hands is that it is a version unauthorized by our church and not deemed fit for perusal by our parishioners.' We all know that the Douay version is the authorized version of the Roman Catholic Church. This family said a few days ago that they were through with the Church of Rome and that they had accepted Christ as their personal Saviour. We expect to baptize them, that is, the father and mother, with one other, on Easter Sunday."

CONNECTICUT.

Bro. Timothée Tétreault, our only missionary in Connecticut, with stations at Putnam, Danielson and Grosvenordale, is doing a work certainly very different from that of his two sisters, mother-superioresses in convents in Canada. He reports, in addition to regular services, 1585 visits, forty-four copies of Scripture distributed; 8900 pages of tracts; thirty-four open-air services, with attendance of 8550.

"Our labor in Grosvenordale has been blessed already. A man and his wife were converted from Romanism last December. Seeing the notice of the French service, which I had hung out, they decided, after some hesitation, to go in and see. The Holy Spirit opened their eyes and touched their hearts and a true conversion followed, glory be to God. Another, who, when he heard me preach last 4th of July, at Mr. Messenger's Grove, was exceedingly bitter, after being under deep conviction for some time, surrendered to God. We wait upon God in faith and pray without ceasing that He may bring the dear French people to the light of His word."

RHODE ISLAND.

Rev. N. N. Aubin, laboring under the auspices of the Rhode Island State Convention and the Home Mission Society, reports:

"Taking Providence as a center, we have within a radius of twenty-two miles, a French population of 89,000. A large percentage of these people are drifting from their church into indifference and infidelity. In Woonsocket, where 80 per cent. of the population is French, one of the priests stated publicly that in that city there are 1200 French people who never step inside of the Catholic Church. Hence we cannot overestimate the importance of this work. I came from Woonsocket nine months ago to take charge of the work here. We have leased a hall for our Sunday services; one of the most attractive and centrally located halls in the city. During the week we have cottage prayer meetings in different part of the city. Our meetings are attended by French speaking people from Switzerland, Belgium, France and Canada. In Central Falls we have our Sunday services

in the vestry of the Baptist Church, and at every meeting we have several Catholics. Both here and at Natick we have family prayer meetings during the week, as in Providence. In the three fields, this year, eighty-three Catholic families have accepted Bibles. Twenty have left the Church of Rome and one was baptized. The work is progressing and hopeful."

AT A SICK BED IN A CATHOLIC HOME.

A young man who had frequently attended our services and who had had glimpses of the truth, fell sick. Through an aunt of his, a member of our church, he sent a request that I should call upon him, which I did. I found seventeen persons in the small tenement of three rooms, filthy and in disorder. Several were eating their supper in the little kitchen, 12x12, on a table about twenty-seven inches in diameter, the bill of fare agreeing with the house and surroundings. In another small room was the poor sick young man almost unconscious. Placing my hand on his feverish brow, I said, as he earnestly responded "yes" to each question: "Do you love the Lord? Do you believe in Christ? Does he forgive sins? Has he forgiven your sins? In accordance with his wishes I then knelt to pray. This was too much for his Catholic friends, who had listened silently till then. Jumping up and rushing to the door they cried out: "Just see what that minister is doing! Now, you sir, must let him die a Roman Catholic. He is a Catholic and he must die a Catholic." "Run," said another, and get the chapelet (prayer beads), hurry up! hurry up! Go and tell John (the tenant I suppose) to come here. We must put this minister out." Rather than wait to be ejected by force, for John was coming, evidently ready to execute his pleasant job, I took my departure, leaving, I believe, the poor young disciple safe in the hands of a merciful God."

Three of our missionaries, Rev. G. G. Brien, of Nashua, N. H.; Rev. O. Brouillette, of Marlboro, Mass., and Rev. E. Léger, colporteur-evangelist in Worcester and vicinity and Gospel singer in the Gospel wagon work, have failed to send in their reports in time for insertion. These would add about a dozen more to the list of baptisms during the year and other incidents of more than ordinary interest—such, for example, as the conversion in Marlboro of that aged French woman of over seventy, who, in her new-born love for God's word, has, I have learned, since last June, read her New Testament through no less than nine times—and the gift by a benevolent Universalist citizen of Nashua of quite a valuable estate, house and lot, to our missionary, to serve as a French Orphan Home, in connection with his work. If along with these, all the above incidents should be multiplied at least tenfold I should feel in closing this editing work, that our friends have an annual report of our French missions in New England reaching fully up to the standard of the familiar court ideal of worthy testimony: "The truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth."

THE GERMANS.

REV. G. A. SCHULTE, WEST HOBOKEN, N. J., SUPERINTENDENT.

In reviewing our missionary operations I find it rather difficult to cover the whole ground in a report so as to give facts in detail, and at the same time keep within the limits of time and space required.

Our increase in membership as a whole has not been as large as in former years. The German Baptist Churches have been no exception to the general barrenness prevailing over all the denominations during the past year. But hopeful signs can be perceived, and encouraging reports come in from all quarters that the year 1900 will be a year of ingathering of souls into the Kingdom of Christ.

At the last annual conferences 240 churches reported a membership of 22,291. In the Sunday Schools connected with these churches are 23,560 scholars and teachers. The churches raised for current expenses \$126,020.48, for missionary and educational purposes \$76,474.59. The Sunday Schools raised \$16,538.91; The Ladies' Missionary Societies, \$7687.78; Young People's Societies, \$5164.67. This makes a grand total of \$231,984.43. Twelve new meeting houses were dedicated during the year, and eight new churches organized. The additions by baptism were 826. Quite a number of churches have made extensive repairs and improvements in their church homes.

One item of special gratitude to God is the successful completion of the endowment for the German Department of the Rochester Theological Seminary toward which the German churches subscribed about \$38,000.00, of which \$25,000.00 has already been paid in cash. This amount is not included in the figures given above for educational purposes. Young and old, rich and poor contributed towards this object. Some in sums of \$1.00 or 50 cents, and even in smaller amounts. This burden taken from our hands and minds we shall be able to make new efforts to raise money for Home Mission work in our German Churches.

The German Baptist Home for the Aged in Chicago, Ill., was enlarged during this year. It has now a frontage of ninety-five feet, three stories high, with room sufficient for sixty-five inmates. This beautiful building stands as a monument to the untiring efforts of Rev. J. Meier and his co-workers in Chicago, and it also proclaims the liberality of the German Baptists in general.

MISSIONARIES.

Seventy-five missionaries were under appointment during the whole or part of the year. They labored in twenty-one States of the Union and four Provinces of Canada. *e. g.*, two in Connecticut, six in New York, seven in New Jersey, three in Pennsylvania, three in Ohio, one in Indiana,

four in Michigan, six in Illinois, one in Wisconsin, two in Iowa, five in Minnesota, four in South Dakota, five in North Dakota, four in Nebraska, four in Kansas, one in Missouri, one in Oklahoma, one in Colorado, two in California, four in Oregon, one in Washington, one in Alberta, two in Assiniboia, two in Manitoba, and two in Ontario.

The following churches were in June last placed on the list of self-supporting churches: Fessenden, N. Dak.; Berlin, N. Dak.; Eureka, S. Dak.; Humphrey, Neb. June next the following churches will also be self-supporting: Beatrice, Neb.; Hillsboro, Kans.; Portland, Oregon, and Minneapolis, Minn.

The experiences and results of the past year have in a measure been duplicates of former years. The missionaries report 3207 weeks of labor, 8619 sermons, and 5569 prayer meetings held, 752 additions to the churches, 305 by baptism, and 27,121 visits made. There are 5313 members in the Mission Churches, and 5917 scholars in the Sunday Schools. The average amount of aid received from the Society for each missionary is \$246.00; while the amount raised by the churches for each missionary is \$284.00. The average amount of salary for each missionary is \$558.00. This includes the city and country missionaries, and those in the East as well as the western men.

Death entered into the ranks of our missionaries during the past year. Rev. Henry Becker closed his labors in Detroit, Mich., May 30th, 1899. He rested for a few days on his way to his new field, Winburne, Pa., at the house of his brother's at Allegheny, Pa., when the Lord suddenly called him to his reward, and this servant of God was permitted to enter into eternal rest.

The application for the appointment of Rev. Louis Gerhard to labor as District Missionary in South Dakota was on its way to New York. Before it reached the hands of the Secretary the Master had called his servant home.

Both brethren were in the prime of life, and both left families unprovided for. Thus suddenly our life's work can be finished.

A FEW IMPORTANT RESULTS.

Some years ago the German Baptist Church at Pittsburg, Pa., started a Sunday School at Knoxville, one of the suburbs of the city; prayer meetings were held, and in the course of time preaching services were inaugurated. On October 1st, 1899, Missionary G. A. Sheets was appointed for the field, and the result is the organization of a new church with sixty members. A desirable corner lot, 50x125, was purchased by the mother church, on which a suitable chapel was erected and donated to the new body. The property is valued at \$3500.00, with an encumbrance of only \$600.00. This Pittsburg church is following in the footsteps of the well-

known First Church of Chicago. Two days after the recognition of the new church a neat little chapel was dedicated free of debt at New Kensington, Pa., for a mission under the charge of this church. The prospects are good that this new interest will flourish in the midst of a large German population.

The First German Church at Newark, N. J., is reaching out in the same direction. A missionary was appointed on December 1st, 1899, to labor in a beautiful mission chapel erected by the church in another section of the city. A large number of conversions are reported from this field, but no organization is at present contemplated.

NUMEROUS CONVERSIONS.

According to the last quarter, by reports of the missionaries, the Lord has graciously visited many of our fields with extensive revivals. But very few of the converts have as yet been baptized. The highest number of conversions on one field occupied by one missionary is ninety reported by Rev. P. Fenske, Casselman, North Dakota.

A very encouraging report was sent by Rev. L. Vogt, District Missionary for Oklahoma. He began his labors a year ago last January. At that time only one German Baptist Church was in the Territory. Now with one church about to be organized we shall have five churches with quite a number of preaching stations. He reports also a large number of converts awaiting baptism during the next quarter. In coming years this brother's self-sacrificing work as a pioneer among the scattered Germans will be even more appreciated than at present.

Brother G. Eichler, appointed last June to labor at Dallas, Oregon, rejoices in the conversion of sixteen souls as the first fruits of his mission work, who expect to be baptized at Easter.

The German church at Portland, Oregon, has advanced with rapid strides. It hopes to be self-sustaining after June 1st. The efficient and energetic missionary, Rev. J. Kratt, reports twenty conversions. This brother with his noble church is no doubt destined to become a power for the advancement of our cause on the Pacific Coast.

Rev. G. Heide resigned as District Missionary of Iowa December 1st. A church of twenty-four members was recently organized where he labored last at Buffalo Center, as the fruit of his labors, and another one as an important center of influence is expected to be organized in the near future. His new field of labor is Kansas. His first report is full of encouragement. He reports a large number of conversions and ten baptisms.

GLEANINGS FROM QUARTERLY REPORTS.

Interesting gleanings can be gathered from the last reports of the missionaries. Space permits only a few brief extracts:

Rev. A. Hager, Edmonton, Alberta, N. W. T., writes: "Beside the work on my own field I have extended during the last quarter my labors over Leduc Wetaskawin, the Calgary district in South Alberta to Stony Plain, twenty miles north of the Saskatchewan River, finding numerous Germans everywhere, eager to listen to the Word of God. The terrible cold and snow-blocked paths, the great distances, the wretched lodging during the night in the desolate log hut, and the many difficulties in the way of a pioneer missionary sometimes tunes down the notes on my harp of faith. But I am perfectly contented. I do not wish another place, and would not change my position with a King or Emperor. There is nothing more exalting than to be an Ambassador of Christ."

Rev. E. Mueller, Hebron, North Dakota, writes, among other interesting things: "A missionary here must be all things to all men that he might by all means save some. As the people are all newly settled Germans he is often called upon to write an English letter; as there is no physician within forty miles of this place he must give medical advice, sit up with the sick at night, etc. The people are so poor that only in very rare cases can they call a doctor. The missionary ought to know everything, and to be able to do almost anything. There is no shoemaker, no tailor, no druggist here, and many other needful things are lacking."

Another pioneer missionary, Rev. L. Vogt, of Oklahoma, writes: "My labors are mainly confined to the western and middle part of the Territory. I receive many invitations to preach, and there are many open doors for us to enter. I have a great many preaching places, they are far apart. As there are no railroads it is necessary for me to travel by a team. There are offered to me many opportunities to preach on the way. There are no chapels, but the little school houses are my workshops. My audiences are sometimes not very large, yet always attentive. Some people I meet have not heard a sermon for years, but are ready to receive the message gladly. My labors so far have only been of a preparatory nature, but a beautiful ingathering of souls is before us; yea, even now the field is white for the harvest. We need more men to be permanently stationed at the different points on this extensive field, and great results may be expected for the German Baptists in Oklahoma. There are also discouragements connected with this kind of pioneer work, especially when I do not know where to lay my head for the night. When I cannot find another bed going, then I prepare one under a tree; start a fire, and soon the welcome supper is steaming in the kettle."

Rev. A. Boelter, Omaha, Neb., writes: "I wish my report on this quarter's work could show more visible results, but I am confident the next one will be of an encouraging nature, for last Sunday a number of energetic young people applied for baptism, and others have asked for the prayers of God's people."

Rev. H. Kaaz, St. Paul, Minn., writes: "This church has passed through severe financial difficulties, but thank God, we have struggled through, and are again on solid foundation. Our people are greatly encouraged; they 'have a mind to work,' strangers are brought in, and eight people were recently converted, and will shortly be baptized."

The outlook is bright. New and inviting fields are constantly opening to us, yet we are able to enter only a few of them. Delay means loss to our cause, and eternal loss to the unsaved who might have been reached had we but been able as a denomination to extend to them the helping hand.

INFLUENCE ON OTHER DENOMINATIONS.

The influence of German Baptists has not been only on single individuals, but also on whole denominations. A remarkable change is to be noticed among the staid Lutheran and Reformed Churches during the history of the German Baptists in this country in the last two or three decades. Twenty-five or thirty years ago the congregations were satisfied with one sermon a week on Sunday morning. A few churches of the Reformed type could perhaps be found where afternoon services were held. Sunday evening services and meetings during the week were almost wholly unknown to them. Prayer meetings, and even Sunday Schools were considered as institutions belonging to the "sects" unnecessary for "the church." The pastor was doing the praying, and the whole responsibility for the religious education rested upon him. People religiously inclined were at that time easily induced to attend the services of the Baptists, and many were thus brought to Christ. Large Sunday Schools were connected with all the churches, and there was no lack of children when a new mission was started. This is all changed. With the exception perhaps of the churches belonging to the Missouri Synod all the different Protestant denominations have adopted our method of church services, Young People's Societies, Sunday Schools, Sunday evening services, and week-day evening meetings. But they have no prayer meetings, as it is impossible to hold prayer meetings with an unconverted membership.

It is not asserted that the credit for this change belongs wholly to the German Baptists, but a large share of it can be claimed by them. We would rejoice more in this change if it were adopted solely for the purpose of the spiritual advancement of the people, but we fear that in order to maintain the adherents in their own fold the leaders think it wise to accommodate themselves to circumstances, and still to teach their members to cling with much tenacity to the doctrines of the State Church in the fatherland.

SUPERINTENDENT'S WORK.

I have visited during the year ninety churches, preached 124 sermons, delivered ninety addresses, attended forty-eight prayer meetings, traveled

15,702 miles; have written 1084 letters; have attended five Annual Conferences, four State Associations, three general public meetings held in the interest of the young people. I was often called upon to advise with churches in reference to difficulties, ten times requested to be chairman in important church meetings, and acted as Moderator in eight Councils called for ordination and recognition. Attended many meetings of the local Missionary Committees, and advised with the brethren in reference to the work. This is the sixth year of my labors in this position. The Lord has spared my life, has given me hardy strength, and has graciously granted unto me His protecting care. Unto Him be all the glory and honor.

BAPTIST PROGRESS AMONG THE SWEDES.

REV. A. P. EKMAN, NEW YORK CITY.

Two years ago the Baptists of Sweden celebrated in a grand jubilee at Stockholm the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the first Baptist Church in that country.

Two years hence, or in 1902, the Swedish Baptists in America intend, God willing, to celebrate a similar event in their history in this country, at Chicago, Ill.

The progress has been so marvelous that in less than fifty-two years of labor, England only excepted, Sweden contains the largest Baptist population of any country in Europe. In comparison with the number of people the progress has been equally marvelous among the Swedes in this country.

These two bodies of baptized believers, the one numbering 40,759, and the other 20,621 members, laboring among their countrymen in two widely separated countries, had a common origin on this side the Atlantic, and still stand in the closest fraternal relation to the American Baptists as well as to each other.

It was in this country that Captain G. W. Schröder was converted and baptized in 1844, and the following year he made a short visit to his native land and told his friends of his new discovery of the Scriptural Baptism and an Apostolical Church. It was in this country also that F. O. Nilson was converted, who, having returned to Sweden, met with Capt. Schröder on said visit and was by him persuaded to study the Scripture in regard to baptism, which led him in 1848 to receive baptism from J. G. Oncken, missionary of the American Baptists to Germany. Mr. Nilson was ordained the following year and became the first Baptist minister in Sweden, where he labored with great success until 1851, when he was banished from the country for preaching and baptizing those who believed the gospel. After laboring two years in Denmark he returned to this country

and, under the auspices of the Home Mission Society, took up the work in the West. It was in Galesburg, Ill., that Gustavus Palmquist, having been converted before he left the old country, was baptized and ordained to the ministry and became the first Baptist preacher to the Swedes in America.

At Rock Island, Ill., he organized the first Swedish Baptist Church in America in 1852. After a few years of successful labor here he returned to Sweden, where, while supported by the Home Mission Society, he was an influential leader among his brethren until his death in 1867. It was in New York City where Rev. Andreas Wiberg was first received into a Baptist Church, after having been baptized by F. O. Nilson near Copenhagen on his way to America. He remained some three years in this country and studied thoroughly the Baptist Church polity and labored some among his countrymen, after which he returned, supported by the Publication Society of Philadelphia, and labored faithfully until his death in 1887, after earning the distinguished designation of the "Apostle of the North."

It was in this city also that Col. K. O. Broady, D.D., was converted and baptized in the Tabernacle Church, 1855, who, after careful preparation in College and Theological Seminary, was sent by the Missionary Union to Sweden where he has ever since been the recognized leader in theological education.

It was at Mariner's Temple, this city, that J. A. Edgren, D.D., after being converted on the stormy Atlantic, was baptized in 1858 by Rev. Ira R. Steward and after a careful theological training was sent with Col. Broady by the Missionary Union to Sweden, where he took part in establishing the Bethel Seminary at Stockholm, and after four years of faithful labor returned to this country and in the early seventies established the Scandinavian Departments of the Theological Seminary at Chicago, Ill. His influence as preacher, educator, editor and author has been felt on both sides of the Atlantic.

Quite a number of other able brethren, having either come over here and taken a course of studies, or labored here in the gospel a longer or shorter period, becoming familiar with American ideas, have returned to the old country and have become a power for good. Of these we can only mention Rev. T. Truvé, the veteran pastor of Gothenburg; Rev. J. Bustrom, one of the honored editors of the *Weekly Mail* of Stockholm; Rev. John Ongman, for many years a missionary of the Home Society and one of our best leaders in the West, now for the last ten years doing an able work in Orebro, Sweden; Rev. C. E. Benander, a graduate of the Theological Seminary at Hamilton, now an assistant professor in the Bethel Seminary at Stockholm, and many others.

This country has in turn received quite a host of able preachers and

leaders who have received their training in Sweden and who have added greatly to the strength of our denomination here. Among the foremost we can only mention Prof. C. G. Logergren, a graduate of the University of Upsala, who is now Dean of the Swedish Divinity School of the University of Chicago.

Enough has been said to indicate how the aid and influence that steadily went forth in the early years from this country to Sweden has reflected powerfully in helping to build up the Swedish Mission at home and stands second only to the unceasing labor and fostering care of the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

According to the statistics for 1899 there are now in this country fifteen Conferences, 306 churches, 178 pastors, ninety-seven preachers, 214 church buildings, fifty-nine parsonages. During the year 1014 have been received by baptism, 918 by letter from churches in America and 104 from Sweden; 224 have been restored and seventy-eight have been received on experience, being baptized outside of the denomination. During the same time 839 have been dismissed by letter to churches in America and eighty-one to Sweden; 566 have been excluded, 227 dropped and 173 have gone to their reward.

Children in the Sunday Schools are 15,512; officers and teachers, 2154; baptisms from the schools, 361, and collections, \$11,763.88. Raised for running expenses of the churches, \$117,686.04. Value of church property, \$915,745.10; raised for Home Missions General Conference, \$2203.29; Swedish State Conferences, \$3503.29; Swedish Sunday Schools, \$498.31; American Baptist Home Mission Society, \$1957.87; State Conventions, \$1202.76; American Baptist Publication Society, \$881.82; Women's Baptist Home Mission Society, \$1332.72; other Home Missions, \$3086.16.

Foreign Missions: American Baptist Missionary Union, \$5043.11; Woman's Baptist Foreign Mission Society, \$1074.71; other Foreign Missions, \$1757.20. Total for Home Missions, \$14,659.23; total for Foreign Missions, \$7875.02. Total expenses for the year \$250,807.77.

The Swedish Baptists are thoroughly orthodox, both at home and abroad. They do not suffer much, if any, from higher criticism. It would in some places be considered a desecration to even mention its name in the pulpit, and any minister trying to apply it to the Holy Scripture would soon find his usefulness at an end. They have seen object lessons enough in the State Church of what fruits the learned semi-rationalistic and ritualistic orthodoxy, so-called, bear, so they will not be likely, we trust, to experiment very soon with anything of the kind, which would certainly blight the life of the young organism which thus far has proved to be very vigorous.

And now while this particular field occupied by the Home Mission Society has yielded, and is still yielding such a splendid harvest, it would

be a great mistake to conclude that the time has come to withdraw or even retrench the aid given to this work with a hope that it would go on just as well as before. In Sweden, where there has been a large and steady increase for many years in succession, we find that the last year the denomination sustained a net decrease of 146 members. While there may be other reasons given for this depressing state of things, it undoubtedly is due in part to the fact that in the year previous the Missionary Union withdrew all appropriations for missionary work in that field. The same result would unquestionably follow, only probably in a greater degree, if the Home Mission Society should withdraw the aid now given to our churches.

May the Lord bless the Society and its work, so that its blessed influence may continue to go out for the seeking and saving of the lost. .

THE CITY OF MEXICO.

REV. WILLIAM H. SLOAN.

The American Baptist Home Mission Society began work in the City of Mexico in April, 1883, its missionaries being Revs. W. T. Green and Pablo Rodriguez. A little church of five members was organized March 14th, 1884. In October, 1884, Rev. W. H. Sloan, pastor at Albion, N. Y., joined the mission with his family, bringing with him a printing press, the gift of the Albion Baptist Church. He opened a preaching station in the square known as the Salto del Agua, and maintained services there for several months. He also began the publication of a paper, *La Luz* (The Light), the first number of which was issued the first of January, 1885. Mr. Green, resigning in April, 1885, Mr. Sloan assumed charge of the work, with Mr. Rodriguez as assistant. The Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society of Michigan reinforced the mission by the appointment of Mrs. Chonita Renteria as Bible worker. The meetings were held in a rented up-stairs room, difficult of access, and progress was slow, owing to the bitter opposition shown by the Romanists. In 1886 Mr. Sloan, invited by the Board of the Home Mission Society, visited the United States, and appealed to the churches for \$25,000 with which to erect a Baptist Church and headquarters in the City of Mexico. The movement was successful, and the corner-stone of the church, the first Protestant edifice built in the city, was laid in February, 1887. A schoolroom was attached to the church, and within the same yard a residence for the missionaries was built. The buildings were completed and dedicated in November, 1887. A day school was opened under the auspices of the Women's American Baptist Home Mission Society of Boston. Rev. A. W. Steelman, of Roseville, N. J., joined the mission in the fall of the year, and in May,

1888, assumed charge of the work, Mr. Sloan returning to the United States to look after the education of his children. Mr. Steelman opened a new mission on Nahuatlato street, and inducted into the work a bright young Mexican, Teófilo Barocio, now a missionary in Santiago, Cuba. The newspaper, *La Luz*, was continued, along with the publication of Sunday School helps, hymn books, tracts, etc. The day school, however, was closed.

Rev. Mr. Steelman retired from the field in July, 1893, and Mr. Sloan, who had returned to the country, and had been visiting all the stations on behalf of the Board, again took charge of the work. He brought with him, besides his wife and two of his children, a teacher for the day school, and work was recommenced in that department. In the same year, 1893, he erected a new building for the printing office, and in 1894 he opened two new preaching stations, one on Santa Maria street, and the other on Guerrero. During that year preaching services were held every night in the year, but the work proved too laborious, and the Guerrero mission, after a year, was closed. The day school also succumbed to difficulties, and ceased to exist.

In 1895 Mr. Barocio was transferred to San Luis Potosi, and Mr. Fernando Uriegas became Mr. Sloan's helper. The Women's Society of Chicago had placed, in 1894, a couple of Bible workers on the field, whose work lay principally among the women and children. In 1897 Mr. Sloan opened a mission in the town of Guadalupe, four miles north of the City of Mexico, and the center of the idolatrous worship of Mary of Guadalupe. This mission has been sustained by the Women's Missionary Alliance of New Haven, Conn. No other denomination had been able to secure a foothold in this fanatical place, but the Baptists have thus far held their ground, in spite of most vigorous efforts to drive them from the town.

Mr. Uriegas was transferred to the City of Puebla, and for two years Mr. Sloan labored without a male helper in all four of the preaching places. Constant additions were made to the church, and it slowly grew into strength. But removals were numerous, and defections were not wanting. It was a time of sifting and winnowing, but the results were most excellent.

In the fall of 1898, Mrs. H. B. Roberts, under the Woman's Chicago Society, opened a kindergarten, and soon after Rev. James T. McGovern, of New York, joined the mission, giving opportunity to Mr. Sloan to make a tour of Puerto Rico. In the spring of 1899, Mr. McGovern was transferred to Cuba, and Mr. Ernesto Barocio, an intelligent and devoted young Mexican, became Mr. Sloan's assistant. In May, 1899, a theological class was formed with ONE pupil, which has continued steadily at work in the hope that the Lord would raise up others who should prepare themselves for the preaching of the Gospel.

PRESENT STATUS.

From a little band of five members in 1884, the church has increased its membership to about 150, has a good Sunday School and two Christian Endeavor Societies. A well-built and commodious church edifice standing in a pretty yard surrounded by a high iron fence, a printing establishment housed in a good building, and a missionary residence, greatly in need of repairs, however, show something of the progress that has been made. Members of the church have gone out over the country, planting the seeds of evangelical truth, millions of pages of tracts have been published, a Baptist literature prepared, a Spanish Concordance to the Holy Scriptures made ready for the press, a volume of Spurgeon's sermons translated into Spanish and issued, first in tracts and then in book form, and an immense amount of other literary work done. Instead of the one preaching place of 1885, in an up-stairs hired room, we now have four preaching stations, in any one of which the audience is larger than in the services of 1885. Of adults, not counting the school children, we have the largest Protestant service in the city. And this in spite of our being the youngest of the missions here, and the weakest so far as the number of missionary workers is concerned. Other work is done whose value no man can estimate. Trained workers from our mission are now laboring in Cuba, and thousands of our tracts circulate in Cuba and Puerto Rico. Twenty-five thousand Baptist tracts from the press of *La Luz* were landed in Manila within three months after its occupation by American troops, and were circulated there by Christian men whose addresses we had secured from Spain before Manila was captured.

Our work during the past year has been of a more varied character and on a broader scale than during any other of the eleven years that we have been on the field. Visits have been made to other parts of the Republic, with the object of "comforting the brethren" and carrying the Gospel "into the regions beyond." In December, 1899, we visited the city of Jalapa and surrounding towns, on the invitation of a Spaniard to whom we had given a Bible fourteen years before, and we spent several days in delightful Christian work. The afternoon when we preached to a multitude of women in the public washing place of the city we shall certainly never forget. In January, 1900, a week was passed in the beautiful city of Puebla, in company with the pastor of the Baptist Church there, Rev. Fernando Uriegas. This brother had enlarged his chapel so as the better to accommodate his growing work, and a series of meetings resulted in a marked revival of interest and the conversion of souls. In February, with much hardship and fatigue, owing to the almost impassable condition of the mountain trails, we visited Tuxpan, a port on the Gulf of Mexico, south of Tampico. Here we found no Protestant missionary, and no proper knowledge of Jesus Christ as Saviour. As we were compelled

to remain in the town for more than a week, owing to the stormy weather that prevented communication with passing steamers, we were enabled to canvas the place pretty thoroughly, and do much work in homes and among groups on the street. For the Sunday we rented a vacant house and notices were sent out that preaching services would be held. In the forenoon, afternoon and evening we had large audiences, and a most cordial reception was given to the truth. It would be an easy matter to establish a Church of Christ in the port of Tuxpan, had we a man to place there.

Take it all in all we have had a good year. Not many additions to our church in the city, but we have more than held our own. The Baptists are now a recognized force in the evangelization of Mexico, and for this we give devout thanks to God.

EASTERN CUBA.

H. R. MOSELEY, D.D., SANTIAGO, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

SANTIAGO.

Truly "God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform," and maketh the strife of nations to praise His great and holy name. And how often it is that He gives far more and exceeding above what we ask or think. For years Cuba's heart's cry had been for political liberty. The struggle had been long and bloody, and when at last the goal was about reached there came with it the dawn of liberty grander far and more lasting—liberty of conscience, liberty of soul, freedom not only from the yoke of Spain, but from the heavier yoke of Spain's religion.

THE BEGINNING.

As soon as the doors were opened, Southern Baptists began work in Eastern Cuba, sending Rev. J. R. O'Halloran to Santiago in September, 1898. Soon after this Northern and Southern Baptists held a conference about the division of the West Indian work, with the result that Southern Baptists retained the four western provinces of Cuba, and the Northern Baptists took the two Eastern Provinces, viz.: Puerto Principe and Santiago, and Porto Rico.

In January, 1899, the Home Mission Society sent me to Eastern Cuba to "spy out the land." After a thorough investigation as to the needs, prospects, etc., of the field, an outline was made of how and where the work should be prosecuted. Bro. O'Halloran being in the employ of Southern Baptists returned to their territory, and Bro. McGovern, of Mexico,

was sent to Santiago to continue the work O'Halloran had begun. I then returned to the United States and was soon followed by Mr. McGovern, who, on account of severe illness, was ordered home by his physician. Up to this time the work in Santiago had moved along most encouragingly, but when it became necessary for Bro. McGovern to go away he left the work in charge of one Spangler, who claimed to be a Baptist minister. He proved to be either an imposter or a crazy man—it is hard to say which. He acted in such a way as to call down upon us the ridicule of our enemies and the pity of our friends. Of course this was a serious drawback to the work. Many of the church members, who had been baptized rather hastily, returned to the world, others became indifferent, while a faithful few waited and hoped.

In October, 1899, when I returned to Santiago to take charge of the work in Eastern Cuba, it was decided best, under the circumstances, to reorganize the church. This was done in January, 1900, with a membership of seventy-five. Bro. Teófilo Barocio, who was transferred from Mexico to this field, is pastor of the Santiago church, and is a most earnest, efficient and consecrated worker. The work is moving steadily forward now. Crowds attend our services, and additions to the church are frequent. We try to "make haste slowly" in the reception of church members, for we realize the importance of laying a solid foundation.

OUR NEW CHURCH HOME.

Last December we bought a valuable property which we are improving and remodelling for our church house. The work on it is nearly completed, and we expect to dedicate it the latter part of this month. This neat and convenient house of worship will aid us very materially in our work here. Heretofore, it has been impossible to secure a meeting place large enough to accommodate the crowds who wished to hear. We have a growing Sunday School and find that there is a great work to be done among the children. Last week we began services down in the southwestern part of the city, near the bay. The attendance and interest were very encouraging. Our church here has rented a room for these services, and at an early day will rent another at Caney, and will sustain these two missions without any expense to the Society.

MANZANILLO.

In November Bro. Callejo began work in Manzanillo. He was fortunate in getting hold of some of the best families, socially speaking, at the beginning, and these have been a great help to him. He seems to be build-

ing wisely and well, and I consider the Manzanillo work, in many respects, the most encouraging of which I have any knowledge on the island. We are greatly in need of a house of worship there.

GUANTANAMO.

I cannot report very favorably of the Guantanamo work. Bro. Carlisle went there in January, but owing to some very grave mistakes made there last year, very little has been done. When I return from the United States next fall, I expect to spend a month or two there with my family, and hope to be able to unravel things a little.

From Santiago, Manzanillo and Guantanamo as centers we shall work outward, and as soon as we can get the men we wish to open new centers of work at Puerto Principe and Holguin. With strong men in these five cities we could soon join hands all round and win Eastern Cuba for Christ.

There seems to be absolutely no fanaticism here. From the first, the people heard willingly, gladly. There is no disposition towards persecution. The priests themselves have not bothered much about us until recently, but they seem to be waking from their slumbers now and are beginning to bestir themselves. Among the thinking Cubans there is a strong prejudice against Romanism. The Roman Church having sided with Spain in the late conflict is looked upon rather as an enemy of the country.

DIFFICULTIES.

One of the greatest difficulties we have to encounter is the indifference of the people. They are not a serious people and are inclined to take everything lightly and carelessly. I think it may be truthfully said that Cuba has no religion. Of course the Romish Church is the established church of the island, but its devotees are few in number, and while nearly all Cubans are nominal Catholics they do not concern themselves about Protestantism or Romanism, righteousness or unrighteousness, but "pursue the even tenor of their way," gaily, carelessly, many of them going to mass in the morning, on some pleasure excursion in the afternoon and to our service at night. Many of them are willing to unite with our church without any investigation whatever. For that very reason we *must* go slowly and carefully, and while candidates for church membership are numerous, we examine each one privately, and then again publicly, and receive only such as give evidence of having been born of God's Spirit. And God is giving His Spirit and souls are indeed being born into this Kingdom.

Another great difficulty with which we have to contend is the fact that so many Americans who come here live in such a way as to recommend neither our customs, our government nor our religion. As to the needs

of the field, next to a greater outpouring of the Spirit, we need houses of worship and at least two strong men for Puerto Principe and Holguin. Only those on the field can feel the greatness of these needs, and only God could measure the results if we but had them. O for His Spirit upon us here, and upon you in the home land, that you may give us the wherewithal to labor for His glory!

NORTHERN PORTO RICO.

REV. H. P. M'CORMICK, SAN JUAN, P. R., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Your missionary reached San Juan February 2nd, 1899, and at once set about making the acquaintance of native and foreign residents, circulating Bibles, Testaments and evangelical literature and studying intimately the religious condition and needs of the island. His first sermon was preached in English and in Spanish at the City Theater, on February 5th, and from that time forward he employed his time visiting outlying districts and preaching in English to American soldiers, sailors and civilians, and in Spanish to the native Porto Ricans.

At that time there was only one Protestant Church on the island. It was located at Ponce. Composed almost entirely of Negro emigrants from the neighboring British possessions, it was under the direction of the Church of England, and held its services in English only. Agents of the American Bible Society and of the Army Department of the International Young Men's Christian Association had recently located in San Juan, where weekly services were also being held in English under the auspices of the Christian Colonial Association. But the nine hundred thousand Spanish speaking islanders were without the gracious ministrations of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour.

RIO PIEDRAS.

On the 23d of February regular preaching services were begun at Rio Piedras, where, in the following April, your missionary decided to establish his central missionary station. Though services had been held in private houses in San Juan it had been impossible to secure any hall suitable for preaching without paying impossible rents. Rio Piedras is a country town half an hour's ride on the tramway from San Juan, and admirably situated for evangelistic work. It is at the junction of two railroads, and of the two military roads which are the arteries of commerce. A year's experience seems to have fully demonstrated the wisdom of this move.

MISSIONARIES.

In March, Miss Ida Hayes, of Missouri, for several years lady principal of the Baptist School for Young Women in Saltillo, Mexico, reinforced the mission. Her labors during the year have been very valuable. Though devoting her time mainly to work among those of her own sex, her influence for good has not been confined to sex or class.

In April Bro. A. B. Rudd, of Virginia, and for some ten years missionary of the Southern Baptist Convention in Mexico, came to publish the glad tidings in Porto Rico. During the months of May and June, during my absence in the United States, he had charge of the mission and did most excellent and enduring work. Towards the close of June he removed with his family to Ponce where his work has been largely successful.

In October our mission was once again strengthened by the coming of Mrs. Janie P. Duggan, of North Carolina, who had also had the advantage of some years of experience in missionary work in Mexico. She is working in Ponce.

Since January, 1900, Bro. Charles E. Teller has been working with us as missionary evangelist, and his labors have been signally blessed. The Society has also in its employ one native Porto Rican—Bro. Manuel Lebron—who is growing in power with God, and acceptance with men.

DIVISION OF FIELD.

For convenience the field has been recently divided into the Northern and Southern Missions of Porto Rico, each in charge of a General Missionary. Bro. Rudd will fully report for the southern part of the island.

During the year many new workers of different denominations have begun their labors in Porto Rico, and there exists among them not only cordial fraternity, but also a readiness to work in the broad spirit of Christian comity. The Disciples, Congregationalists, Presbyterian, Methodist Episcopal, United Brethren, Lutheran and Episcopalian bodies are represented, and it is to be hoped that God will graciously crown their efforts for the salvation of men with the largest success.

In spite of the well-nigh universal spiritual ignorance and apathy, God has blessed the preaching of His word. During the year I have baptized seventy professed believers, and a long roll of candidates for the holy ordinance are being examined by those already baptized. In Northern Porto Rico churches are organized in San Juan, Rio Piedras and Caguas. The new brethren are in the main faithful, and several of them actively aid in a humble way in preaching the Gospel.

PLACES OF WORSHIP.

In Rio Piedras the Society has a commodious, though not altogether suitable meeting house. The inner partitions of a private house were torn down thus forming a hall large enough to seat two hundred people. At an early day this property could, and should be, sold and a meeting house built.

The hall rented in San Juan is very small, and altogether unsuitable for active missionary work. Rents and real estate are very high in the Capital City, but it is a more important center, and a building meeting the demands of the situation should soon be secured there. This is a very important matter and should claim the most earnest attention of the churches. San Juan should have a church house worthy of the city and of our people.

It will be noted that we have located in points of great strategic importance, and each one of our workers has about him a district too large for thorough evangelization by any one man. It is the positive, unanimous conviction and plea of the force on the ground that at least one new and thoroughly equipped man be sent to occupy at least one of the several important centers on the western part of the island.

The establishment and support of Baptist churches in Porto Rico should appeal to every Baptist, every patriot, and every philanthropist. Our republican form of church government and democratic simplicity of church life; our emphasis of the spirituality and practicality of the Gospel are just what is needed to elevate, educate, moralize and prepare for Christian citizenship. By God's grace, and by the Society's prompt and hearty direction, Baptists have, thus far, done more than all other evangelical agencies combined for the salvation of this people. They must enlarge their work. It is rapidly growing, and ready and intelligent help now will bring the most glorious fruitage in years to come. The Society merits the gratitude and support of all Baptists. It has devised liberal things, and with great wisdom and foresight has laid its plans, and directed its forces.

Your missionary is assured that God means to do great things for Porto Rico and to get much glory for His gracious name through the ministration of the churches whose efforts He has already so abundantly blessed. The future is radiant with hope. Your missionaries beg the brethren to pray for Porto Rico.

SOUTHERN PORTO RICO.

WORKERS—A. B. RUDD, GENERAL MISSIONARY; C. A. TELLER, MISSIONARY EVANGELIST; MRS. J. P. DUGGAN, ASSISTANT MISSIONARY.

I. BRIEF HISTORY OF THE WORK.

Mission work in Southern Porto Rico dates from January 30th, 1899. Already Ponce had been selected as the most suitable place for headquar-

ters. Not until July 15th could a suitable hall for services be secured, and on the following day, July 16th, our first public service was held with an attendance of about thirty. The hall is well located and in the beginning seated about 130. Gradually the attendance grew and now the hall, though seating 180 (a partition having been removed), is often filled to overflowing.

On November 21st a church was organized, with fourteen members. The present membership is forty-six, thirty having been added since the organization by baptism, and two by letter. For the first few months our Sunday School was quite small and gave but little promise of growth, but all of a sudden it ran up to something like 150. Two of the five classes are now taught by native members who were baptized only a few months ago. From the opening of our work we kept up till the close of January a Sunday morning English service, but were forced to suspend it by the growing demands of the Spanish work.

In Adjuntas, a town of some 3500 inhabitants, and center of a large and densely populated district about eighteen miles inland from Ponce, we have held services at irregular intervals since last August with encouraging results. During a part of this time a most interesting class of children for Bible study, varying in attendance from thirty to fifty, has been kept up successfully by Mrs. Rudd, Mrs. Duggan and Mrs. Teller. Within a few weeks we hope to baptize some six or eight of the many who have asked for baptism and so form there the nucleus for another church.

Last week a good beginning was made in Yanco, a town of 7000 inhabitants, twenty miles from Ponce and connected with it by rail. So far only two services have been held in this place. For several months we have been holding services in three thickly settled country places where the outlook is good.

Early in August Mr. Charles A. Teller, a business man of Brooklyn, N. Y., and an earnest Christian worker, settled in Ponce, and from the first took a lively interest in the work of our mission. His knowledge of Spanish and his long experience with the Latin races have enabled him to render most valuable help in the work. Since January 1st, 1900, he has been associated with us as Missionary Evangelist.

In November, Mrs. J. P. Duggan, of North Carolina, eminently fitted by nature, grace and experience for missionary work, came to us and has rendered most efficient service among the women and children both in Ponce and Adjuntas, dividing her time between the two places.

II. PRESENT CONDITION AND OUTLOOK.

We are contending against Romanism, Spiritualism and stolid indifference; three tough antagonists. The first, though dormant for a while, is now beginning to assert itself; the second holds destructive sway over

thousands on the island; the third meets us at every turn and presents, perhaps, the greatest obstacles to the progress of the Truth.

The outlook for the work is decidedly bright. In spite of contending forces crowds come to hear the Word. We have gone slowly to avoid mistakes; not a third of those who have asked for baptism have been received. We realize that we are doing foundation work and would be careful how we do it.

III. NEEDS OF THE WORK.

(A) Houses of Worship.

1. *In Ponce.* The work here is already suffering from this need. Give us at once a substantial, attractive house with seating capacity of not less than 400, and you will greatly help the work in Ponce.

2. *Adjuntas*, too, should soon have a chapel. We are just now in danger of losing the only available hall in the town for our services.

(B) More Workers.

Give us certainly one, if possible, two more men for Porto Rico this year; let them come at once and get to work on the Spanish. The field is "White already to harvest." Let us not lose so glorious an opportunity.

(C) A Paper.

We must have a paper in the near future which will carry to all the seeds of truth, and we will need financial help for this enterprise.

REPORT OF FIELD SECRETARY.

H. L. MOREHOUSE, D.D.

Availing myself of the kind offer of the Executive Board in granting me a four months' vacation, at the close of the twenty years' service for the Society, soon after the anniversaries at San Francisco I went to the Hawaiian Islands where I spent nearly seven weeks, going thence to Victoria, B. C., where Rev. C. A. Wooddy, Superintendent of Missions for the Pacific Coast, joined me in a trip to Skagway, Alaska, at which place, August 27th, we participated in the dedication of the tasteful church edifice erected largely by the Society's aid. It was the first church edifice of any denomination in that city of about 5000 people. The church is the northernmost Baptist Church in North America, and our only church among the English speaking population of Alaska. The commercial enterprises, the railways built and projected, the mineral riches of the country are certain

to attract a large population for whose religious condition we may not remain unconcerned. At two or three other points of importance, where Baptist churches could be organized, missionaries are needed. And among the multitudes of miners, if anywhere on earth, there is need of the earnest preaching of the Gospel.

Hawaii presents a curious religious problem. Its population of about 125,000 is made up of about 35,000 Hawaiians and 7000 part Hawaiians; 22,000 Chinese, 30,000 Japanese, 15,000 Portuguese 10,000 Americans and Europeans, and some of other nationalities. The Hawaiians are a waning race, the decrease in population from 1884 to 1890, being over 13 per cent., and from 1890 to 1896, nearly 10 per cent. Thirty years ago they were very generally members of churches founded by missionaries of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. In 1898 there were fifty-six evangelical Hawaiian churches with 4642 members reported, a number of churches being supported in part by the Hawaiian Evangelical Association. The Roman Catholics and the Mormons each claim as large a body of adherents among them.

The Association also maintains about twenty missions among the Chinese, Japanese and Portuguese. There are two American Congregational or "Union" Churches of much strength, one at Honolulu and one at Hilo. In the former are about seventy Baptists, while others are unconnected with any church. Episcopalians, Methodists, Disciples and Seventh Day Adventists have organizations.

The growing importance of those islands with the increasing population of their commercial centers, will speedily call for a liberal expenditure by the American Baptist Home Mission Society for the establishment of one or more Baptist Churches with suitable houses of worship. There is also ample field for work among the Chinese and the Japanese.

From September until the middle of November my attention was given chiefly to our work in the West. Recent events in our national history have given to the West, relatively, greater importance than ever before in our history. Too much emphasis can hardly be laid upon the firm establishment of strong Baptist Churches at the great centers of power. Fifty years hence, doubtless there will be a city of a million souls on the shores of Puget Sound, and other cities of large proportions.

In the Central Western States there is substantial recovery from the financial depression and disasters of recent years. Without the Society's timely assistance both in the support of missionaries and in Church Edifice work, irreparable loss would have occurred. Some of the General Missionaries have rendered heroic service in saving churches from extinction and starting them on a new and vigorous career. The service rendered by the Superintendent of Missions for the Western Division, Rev. N. B. Rairden, has been invaluable.

A new form of missionary service has been introduced during the year, in the employment of Rev. F. L. Rozelle and wife as missionary evangelists to labor with mission churches at important points where adverse circumstances have tended to discouragement, and to visit new fields where evangelistic services may be practicable. Brother Rozelle's experience in building up feeble interests has proved very valuable in this new work. Both also have fine musical talent which is freely employed in their meetings. The results of their labors have been most excellent.

The three States of Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas, comprising the field of Rev. D. D. Proper, District Secretary, are already responding to a degree unexpected, to his efficient tillage thereof; thus recognizing their obligation to participate in the broader work of Home Missions beyond their own State boundaries. In several States systematic methods of beneficence have been adopted, which give promise of better results than heretofore.

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE.

Particular attention has been given to certain readjustments of the Society's methods in securing offerings from Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies, in accordance with the recommendations of the Commission on Systematic Beneficence, which urges concerted action by all members of the church in its beneficent activities and suggests to the organizations represented in the Commission that they use their influence in bringing about the desired result.

For about fifteen years the Society has asked Sunday Schools to observe the last Sunday in March as Chapel Day, when offerings should be made for the erection of chapels on its mission fields. Thousands of dollars have thus been contributed, and scores of edifices thereby have been erected. But, the observance of such a day in many instances was at variance with the object for which the church itself was making its annual offering. The desirability of unity of effort is conceded by all. Hence, the Society has decided at some immediate sacrifice of receipts, to discontinue its special appeals to Sunday Schools in March, and instead of this to ask all Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies to make their offerings for its work at the same time that their churches make their offerings. Suitable Home Mission exercises for the use of Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies have been prepared by the Society. Thus it is hoped that our young people will early come to respect and honor and love the Society as our great agency for the evangelization of North America. This new method has already been received with much favor.

CONFERENCES IN INDIAN AND OKLAHOMA TERRITORIES.

At the Conference between representatives of the Society and of the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1898 steps were taken

looking toward the harmonizing of our Baptist forces in Indian and Oklahoma Territories, where unhappy divisions had existed, growing out of two rival Conventions in each Territory. Sectional feelings and doctrinal differences had also contributed to such results. Both the Home Mission Society and the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention conducted their operations in these Territories without any coöperative arrangements.

On March 6-8, 1900, a Conference was held at South McAlester, I. T., and on March 9th another at Oklahoma City, O. T., to secure harmony and to bring about the unification of our Baptist forces in the Territories. The Conference in each place was composed of five representatives from the Society, five from the Home Board and five from each Convention. The representatives of the Society were the Field Secretary and Revs. N. B. Rairden, E. B. Meredith, J. C. Armstrong and H. B. McGee at McAlester, and in place of the latter, Dr. L. H. Buxton at Oklahoma. The representatives of the Home Board were Revs. F. H. Kerfoot, J. M. Frost, J. B. Gambrell, R. C. Buckner and A. J. Holt. Two full days were devoted to the consideration of the subject at McAlester and one day at Oklahoma City. At last absolutely unanimous conclusions were reached which will give to each Territory but one Baptist Convention on a reorganized basis, and fairly representing all interests. These Conventions will be independent, though at liberty to affiliate with either this Society or the Home Board, or both, or neither. This Society and the Home Board agree to coöperate with each Convention, each putting into Indian Territory \$4000 for missionary purposes on a pro rata basis of \$1000 raised in the Territory, and likewise \$4500 each in Oklahoma Territory; also each to appropriate, if needed, \$1000 to each Territory for Church Edifice work.

The educational work of the Home Mission Society in Indian Territory and its especial work among the Kiowas and other tribes in Oklahoma are not included in this coöperative arrangement. It is expected that the plans recommended will go into effect at the meetings of the Conventions the coming fall. Thus, again, grace has triumphed over difficulties and divisions; and Baptists are drawing closer together in fraternal coöperation for the advancement of the Kingdom of our Lord.

From 1865 to 1900 the Home Mission Society has expended for missionary and educational work in Indian Territory \$324,703.82, and for Church Edifice work, \$19,597.45. It has aided in developing a large number of the strongest churches, and in building over fifty meeting houses.

In Oklahoma the expenditures since 1889, mostly for missionary work, have been \$76,325.15, and for Church Edifice work, \$14,018.91. The Society has aided in the erection of forty-five meeting houses at important points. The total for both Territories is \$435,645.33, and the number of meetings houses, ninety-seven. No other organization has done even one-

tenth as much as the American Baptist Home Mission Society for the evangelization of these Territories.

CITY MISSIONS.

The first year of coöperation in City Mission work in Chicago ended last October. Very general satisfaction was expressed concening the arrangement which is to run for five years. There has been a unification of the work which formerly was conducted separately by the Home Mission Society and the City Mission Society; a close supervision of the whole field, and more business-like methods in the prosecution of the work. The Committee representing the Home Mission Society have cheerfully devoted careful attention to many questions in conference with a similar Committee of the City Mission Society. Perfect harmony has prevailed and a spirit of hopefulness is everywhere manifest. Nineteen missionaries among seven nationalities are under appointment in that city.

In Detroit, Mich., the plan of coöperation is working well. During the year a mission has been started among the Poles with encouraging prospects. The whole number of missionaries in that city is four.

Last January the Society also entered into coöperation with the Buffalo Baptist Social Union, one of whose functions is the prosecution of mission work in the city. Buffalo is having a rapid growth and has a large foreign population. Four nationalities are represented by the missionaries in that city. The number of laborers there under the coöperative plan is eight.

Thus the Society in aiding in the support of thirty-one missionaries in these three cities is contributing something to the solution of the problem of city evangelization.

Other cities are insistently asking for the Society's coöperation, and only the lack of resources and dread of deficiencies prevents it from extending this important feature of its missionary operations.

VIRGINIA.

REV. P. S. LEWIS, RICHMOND, VA., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

I now give a brief statement of the results of the year's work undertaken by you in Virginia under coöperation. It is needless to cite the many disadvantages under which your missionaries have labored, only to say that through them all God has led us and blessed our efforts. While this report does not measure up in every detail with last year's work, on account of the delay and uncertainty of plans upon the part of the co-operating boards, yet the results herein set forth are a little beyond my expectation. The Institutes, brought within reach of thousands, have been

a benediction to the churches and communities where held, and if this system of instruction be discontinued in Virginia, a lever of power will have been removed from the masses. Many of our churches have very crude ideas about Baptist polity, and know little of the spirit and work of the denomination and how to take hold of it. The Institutes are not only making stronger preachers, but better churches as well.

We have been ably assisted in State Missions by pastors of both races. It is my candid opinion that we are in better shape for every line of Christian work than formerly; and further, there is promise of deeper interest in every feature of the denomination's work. The people will give more money for missionary and educational enterprises when they are properly trained. With faith in the promises of God and greater concentration of religious effort upon our part as Colored Baptists, six months will be long enough to prove the truthfulness of these assertions. Hundreds of young people give promise of entering Hartshorn and Union University, when they have finished in the public schools. Many converts have joined our churches through the labors of the missionaries.

As we have stood up and unfolded the mysteries of the Gospel, and showed how God is blessing the race, the old mothers and fathers have cried out, saying, "Brother, God bless you. May you live long to carry on this work. Come back with the Institute. We wish you could stay with us all the time."

Indeed the fields are whitening for harvest and awaiting the faithful toil of multiplied reapers. The following is a summary of the General Missionary's work: Weeks of service, fifty-two; Institutes held, two; sermons preached, ninety-one; addresses delivered, eighty; conversions, seventy; churches visited, sixty; prayer meetings attended, ninety-four; religious visits, eighty three; public meetings attended, twenty-six; letters and postals written, 426; articles published, twenty-nine; pages of tracts distributed, 10,170; young people counseled, 490; money collected for State Missions, \$312.73; miles traveled, 8740.

Including the report of the General Missionary, and the work of the three District Missionaries, Rev. William Cousins, Rev. H. P. Weeden and Rev. F. P. Saunders, the following is a summary of the services rendered during the year:

SUMMARY.

Weeks of service	205
Institutes held	47
Sermons preached	386
Addresses delivered	407
Conversions	305
Churches visited	227
Prayer meetings attended	340

Much of their religion is sentimental and it is only by such teaching can they be brought to realize the importance of the practical.

The plan of coöperation has done its greatest good in helping to unify our forces, especially our leaders. There was never a more united and a better spirit in our churches. Only a few stand out against the work and that is due to a want of the proper understanding.

While much is needed to be done for North Carolina, enough has already been done through coöperation to cause the people to look to the organizations which support it as their greatest benefactors.

GEORGIA.

REV. E. P. JOHNSON, ATLANTA, GA., GENERAL EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY.

There are more colored people in Georgia than any other State in the Union. In all there are 800,000. We have in our churches a membership of fully 260,000. All the other denominations in the State, combined, have less than we. There are between 800 and 1000 ordained and fully 2000 unordained Baptist preachers in Georgia. Our work aims to reach this great host of Baptist preachers and laity. We are trying to induce all the preachers who can to attend the Theological Department at the Atlanta Baptist College. The great majority can never hope to attend any school. These we are striving to reach in the Institutes.

There are two colored Baptist Conventions in our State. The Churches, Associations and Sunday School Conventions belong to these two State bodies. Both of these Conventions are doing State work. Both have missionaries on the field. The churches belonging to each Convention are urged to support their respective claims.

The Negro Education Society of Georgia has no territory of its own. It must work in the fields of the two Conventions. Because of the above stated conditions we find it hard to raise all the money necessary to pay our part of the salaries and expenses of all those doing our work. We cannot depend upon the churches raising money for our work. All the money raised by us must be done by the special efforts of the missionaries.

The work that the coöperating bodies are doing in Georgia is the most important work ever attempted in the South. The Institute work is a Theological School on wheels. Forty-six of these schools were conducted from three to ten days last year. Seven hundred and eighty-nine preachers attended and more than 4000 people. There are several very important features of the Institute work to which special attention is called.

(a) Each preacher is urged to purchase the library of ten books which we sell. Whenever it is possible, we appoint a committee of twenty to collect the money for the books. Each one is asked to raise twenty-five

cents. In this way thirty-five or forty sets of books were obtained last year.

(b) All who get the books pursue the three-year course of study arranged by us.

(c) The doctrines of the denomination are explained.

(d) Special attention is given to preparation and delivery of sermons.

(e) The best methods of studying the Bible are given.

(f) All the phases of Church and Sunday School work are discussed.

(g) The attention of all is called to our denominational schools and the young people are urged to attend them.

(h) Special meetings for the women are held. In these the home question is discussed in all its details.

The great host of needy preachers and the common people are deeply interested in and fully appreciate the work. The white preachers have rendered valuable aid by giving special lectures and sermons. The increase in the collections is the best evidence of the interest on the part of the people in the work. The first quarter of last year the four missionaries raised \$82.25; the second quarter, \$212.71, and the third quarter, \$360.35.

The missionaries visit the day schools in the different communities and give lectures to the children on interesting subjects. From two to three thousand children were reached last year.

We assist the pastors in raising money for the churches and for their salaries. When called upon we help them in revival meetings. In this way the work and the workers are commended to them and the people. Last year many precious souls were won to the Master by the missionaries.

KENTUCKY.

REV. P. H. KENNEDY, HENDERSON, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

It seems that the field gets larger as the years go by. The more we do the more we see to do. We have not as yet realized our expectation of ten years ago. We thought then to have had all things in line by this good day. That was when we first "buckled on the harness," and were ready to "boast as though we had taken it off." Yet we find great reason to rejoice because of the success we have had and are having along all lines of the work in which we are engaged.

CO-OPERATION.

The plan of coöperation is generally accepted by the brethren throughout the State. Every District Association and Sunday School Convention in the State contributes annually to the missionary work. At the meeting

of the General Association almost every church represented sent a special contribution for missions, especially is this true of the leading churches and pastors. And "yet there remaineth very much land to be possessed."

The New Era Institute work is a signal success, the interest is phenomenal, with both white and colored brethren. Whenever one is held the door stands open inviting another session. We have not been able this year to supply the invitations from places to hold them. Since March, 1899, we have held thirty-two Institutes. The smallpox (which has been almost epidemic) and the political condition of our State have greatly hindered the work.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

There is quite an advance in systematic giving. That old spasmodic system of giving seems to be giving place to the better way. The pastors are giving more attention to that branch of their work by way of introducing plans that reach each member of their church, which enables them to get hold of and train the young as they come into church membership. The greatest difficulty we have in collecting money for missions is the poverty of the people. When they have built their churches and paid their pastors there is not much left for other religious work. And yet the white pastors say they are more liberal than their people according to their ability to give.

There is quite an advance in the moral and intellectual condition of the people. Many of them are out-spoken, by way of regrets, of the time spent other than for their highest development.

ORGANIZATION.

The work of organization in this State among the colored people is not altogether that of new churches, but rather among the old churches and pastors, by training them how to live and to do church work after the Bible plan. In this line of work (assisted by the better informed pastors) the missionaries have been very successful.

Our State Mission and Church Edifice days are becoming very popular. From the Edifice Fund we have been able to give assistance to quite a number of poor churches. Some of which would have been otherwise sold by the courts.

From the State Mission Day Fund we have been able to pay the missionaries' salaries, and supplement the salaries of the District Missionaries. Quite a number of new church houses are being built, old ones are being remodeled, old debts and mortgages are being paid off. It is safe to say that the increase in the Baptist membership is double to that of any other

denomination in the State. We feel the great responsibility laid upon us to train them for the Master's work.

EDUCATION.

A deeper interest is being taken in the education of the ministry, and at this time there is a class of thirty ministers enrolled in the State University. We look with great pride upon the young men and women who are coming out of the schools in our State, and those from other schools coming into the State under the guidance of the Holy Spirit will greatly assist us in the training of these people for the Master's service.

TENNESSEE.

T. J. SEARCY, D.D., MEMPHIS, EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY.

Not quite two years ago, at the call of the leading brethren of my State, I accepted the position of Financial Secretary of Education, representing the Tennessee Baptist Convention and American Baptist Home Mission Society. According to the plan of coöperation an Educational Board was elected in connection with the State Convention, which Board should manage the Convention's educational work.

It was not without a full recognition of the great work and grave responsibility consequent upon the organization of our educational work that we accepted the position tendered. The State Convention had never had the least method in the prosecution of its educational work prior to the adoption of the plan of coöperation, and the condition of our churches, themselves without any system in regard to their work of Christian education and lack of active interest in the work of our mission schools, increased the natural hindrances to the work an hundred fold. How can we create an interest in our educational institutions that will bring to them sufficient moral and *financial* support? was the question which confronted us, and this is the question which we believe we have only partially answered.

CITY CHURCHES.

Our first effort was to interest the most prominent pastors and congregations in our large cities—Nashville, Memphis, Chattanooga and Knoxville. This object was to a great degree successfully attained through educational mass meetings at which we and our leading brethren urged the claims of education in general. Of course a greater degree of moral support was attained than financial.

This is true because of the limited knowledge of the average member in respect to the amount of money necessary to the successful operation of educational institutions. But taking in consideration the fact that we have been at this work for so short a time, our annual financial report will show that there has been great improvement among our city churches even along the financial line.

COUNTRY CHURCHES.

It was not possible to reach the country churches until the pastors of said churches could be met together. This was accomplished at the summer Conventions and Associations. Now that the pastors had been reached, we had an opportunity to meet their churches and to present the needs of our schools. This tour among the country churches resulted in creating sympathy in behalf of our work. This sympathy having been created, we have been able to reach the pockets of a small proportion of the membership of our country churches. But the most potent result attained by this tour through the rural districts is the increased attendance in both of our schools, Roger Williams University and Howe Institute.

EDUCATIONAL CLUBS.

Excellent results have been obtained from the club plan, *i. e.*, the organization of Educational Clubs in the churches throughout the State. These clubs have but the one object, the creating of an active interest among the members in our Educational Institutions. Through the efforts of these clubs the churches are beginning to contribute more liberally and systematically. We are therefore making a special effort to have a club in each church in the State before the next meeting of our State Convention.

NEW ERA INSTITUTES.

A feature now being introduced in our work, from which we hope abundant results, is the New Era Institutes which are to be held in all parts of the State. Through these Institutes we hope to help and stimulate the pastors of our churches, thereby reaching and winning the co-operation of all classes of our ministry.

The pledge system, which we tried sufficiently, was found ineffective in itself in that the expense of traveling from place to place to take "pledges," the greater number of which were never paid, even when a return trip was made in order to collect the same, was at last as great as the income therefrom. We have tried earnestly to impress the brethren that money contributed to our cause must be collected by them from their

respective churches and sent to us. Our efforts along this line are now beginning to bear fruit, as our official mail occasionally contains a money order.

ARKANSAS.

J. H. HOKE, D.D., LITTLE ROCK, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Arkansas, as a mission field naturally divides itself into three great sections. First,

THE RIVER SECTION.

This is the great farming region where negroes are found in large numbers. A very small per cent. of them are to any extent educated. Their educational advantages are poor. Their schools last from two to three months during the year, and they are taught in summer, when the plagues common to the low lands are plentiful. This accounts for the slow progress education is making in this section. In communities where education is so limited, there can be but little hope to find that Christianity the Bible demands. But here and there can be found a church well organized, which will be content with no other as pastor, but a Christian gentleman who can preach the Gospel intelligently, and lead them in the plains of higher civilization. The flood of light the Christian organizations have been pouring into these bottoms is producing these great religious centers. To witness the wonderful changes that have been wrought in a few years is very encouraging. But it must be remembered that these churches are only fertile spots in a great desert. There are scores of churches in the same section whose worship excels that of the heathen very little. A visit to one of these churches not long since demonstrated that fact. That church had fourteen deacons, seven "aids," and three "crowns." These were called the four and twenty elders that sit about the altar. They also had seven "mothers," a pastor with right and left supporters. Where they got this pattern and what they mean by it, I cannot tell. In their worship they are just as earnest as we in ours. When one goes among them, and sees their earnestness, and finds their willingness to admit the light, he is caused to ask, what can we do to help this people? Who will help give them the light?

The second section is composed of

THE CITIES AND TOWNS.

The condition of the people in this section in some respects is much better. Their educational advantages, so far as book learning is con-

cerned, are very good. The sessions of their schools are from six to nine months a year. These schools are turning out scores of scholars each year, whose education is without God, the Bible, or Christianity. The majority of these scholars go to church to get literary treats, hear the preacher deal with scientific questions, tell fine stories, and paint beautiful pictures. If the preacher insists on regeneration, and genuine practical religion, they go away disgusted and divorce themselves from the churches. This state of affairs has caused much comment in newspaper circles. All Christians who are interested in the speedy triumph of Christianity can see the very urgent demands for Christian schools, educated preachers, and a continuance of missionary work. From our schools, such as the Arkansas Baptist College, is coming continually a stream of light that helps the preachers, churches and missionaries. In this section the churches generally own good houses, well equipped for worship. Also a majority of them have good pastors. The thing that is so much needed is means to enable the preacher to preach the Gospel independently and by it constrain the people to come in. We have some able men, who are standing like heroes, and are continually calling for reinforcement. We answer their calls by conducting institutes, revivals and union meetings in their churches. In some of our meetings young men and women unite with the churches. They confessed that they knew nothing about true religion and the spirit of the Bible. To hear them talk and see them weep over their mistake is heart rending. In our baptisms administered during the year, the majority of the candidates were these scholars. There is much of this kind of work yet to be done. An unlearned sinner is hard to get hold of, but a person learned in letters, whose conscience is dead, and he has been taught to disregard God's positive commands is the hardest person on earth to reach. Help is what we need. Prayer and means. Who will give them?

The third is known as the

MOUNTAIN SECTION.

This differs widely from the others. Negroes have never lived in large numbers in this section. Railroads are being built all through this part of the State, and new towns and settlements are forming and Negroes are being imported into these mountains and they must be looked after. Other denominations are furnishing means to help them. Shall we sit idle? A preacher of another denomination said to me, "Come up and preach to your people, I am up there and have got a good house, but the people won't join me, they are all Baptists. They are holding their little meetings around and have got no house, and I can't get them in mine." Those people are from some of the older States. They are there without

a church, without a preacher and without means. This is but one in many such cases. The friendship between the races in this section is much better than in former years. The lands are cheap, and health is good. Also the mines are open to colored laborers; all this is inducing the Negro that way. What shall we do? To go among them and organize churches without means to build houses, will only result in the loss of the coming generation.

Now it can be seen that in each section of the State much work is needed. Yet there is such a growth along all lines that we are much encouraged. The membership of the churches is steadily increasing. Modern edifices are being built wherever needed. Contributions for the work increase every year. Eleven years ago the State Convention raised for missions and Christian education about \$300. Last year the same Convention raised for the same causes \$3350. In the State there are thirty-two District Associations; about two-thirds of them can be depended upon to help the work. Many of the churches consider it a blessing to give. Thus it can be seen that the Society took the Convention by the hand as a mother her child, and they have gone year after year until there have grown out of that coöperation many good churches and the great College at Little Rock. Will you stay by us? Will you still help us? God help you.

MISSOURI.

H. N. BOUEY, D.D., MACON, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Taking a retrospective view of the American Baptist Home Mission Society's work in Missouri, and especially for the past year, I see some things for which to praise the Lord.

NEW ERA INSTITUTES.

First, our "New Era Institutes," twenty-four of which have been held this year, have been not only helpful to our churches, but instructive to our leaders. In most cases, they were largely attended by the best of the church workers; and, they could not find words to express their admiration of this great work. We hear expressions as "Heaven born plan," "God revealed plan," "Redeeming plan," and "God bless the Societies!" etc.

Error has fled before these Institutes as darkness before the light. We sustain such relation to the white Baptists of Missouri that gives them joy in meeting us and lecturing in our "New Era Institutes." Tears from earnestness and gratitude to God often flow.

I am sometimes favored to listen to resolutions expressing the deepest

gratitude to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, for its relation, like a great parent, exercising guardianship, preservation and developing care towards us on account of our former and present condition.

CO-OPERATION WITH SOUTHERN BAPTISTS.

The earnestness, continued and increasing success and high Christian courtesy and diplomacy of the Home Mission Society has won for us the coöperative help, which we now receive from the great Southern Baptist Convention, with headquarters at Atlanta, Ga., and the several State Conventions—white. These were aiding before, but locally and informally; now said formal aid is more helpful. It may not be known to many that when the Home Mission Society entered Missouri, at the close of the war, with the able, experienced and consecrated Drs. Marston and William P. Brooks, it supplemented and stimulated the self-sacrificing labors of our fathers, and thus organized our churches and District Associations. We went on with these organizations, gathering in until we numbered about 17,000 in 1889.

It was necessary, in the judgment of the Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Society, that these district bodies be united into a State body and placed behind a Christian school, the support of which would unite and develop the beneficence of the Baptists, and the school itself would train the ministry and promising young people. Dr. W. J. Simmons, the District Secretary, of the Home Mission Society, suggested and sought the organization of a State Convention, and had the Society make an appointment August 1st, 1889, which was to aid the development of a State organization with the purposes above in view. Now, all has been realized in the last ten years. A good strong State Convention and a good strong school. The Society sustained the writer on this field these ten years, who held double relation, as State Missionary and Financial Agent for the school.

WORK OF THE LAST TEN YEARS.

Now what about the work of the last ten years? The answer comes back that these accomplishments have put such a stir in Missouri that has nearly doubled the capacity of the Baptists.

Our churches have increased in the last ten years as follows:

1. The church work is more intelligent and Scriptural.
2. The general increase in numbers is from 17,000 to 26,000.
3. Doctrinal intelligence and love for intelligent preaching; this is shown by the many vacant pulpits waiting for intelligent preachers.
4. The beneficence—shown by the fact that, ten years ago much less

than a fourth of our churches sustained weekly preaching, now over half take a pastor for all of his time.

5. In Christian character, as seen in the peace of our churches, and absence of associational antagonisms.

Now, it must be remembered, that the Christian work in Missouri is attended with this difficulty; our 256 churches in Missouri, outside of about fifteen, are small in membership and have small village populations to draw upon; hence, every pastor must be a missionary hustler.

I lack space to speak of the sixteen ministerial and the forty-four academic graduates from our Mission School at Macon, Missouri.

TEXAS.

REV. F. G. DAVIS, M'KINNEY, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

In October, 1895, I was elected by our State Convention and approved and appointed by the American Baptist Home Mission Society as General Missionary for Texas. Formerly our General Missionary in Texas had received on his salary (\$500.00) five hundred dollars and all his expenses from the Society, and about (\$1400.00) fourteen hundred from the white Baptists of Texas for General Missionary work. At this time our State had become divided over the educational work. The feeling was bitter and the contention most severe all over the State. On account of this condition of affairs the white Baptists withdrew their aid. At the same time the Home Mission Society felt constrained to reduce its appropriation to our work.

Our circumstances, therefore, since we have been in office have not been so favorable as our predecessor's; yet we thank God that under Him we have been able to do much good in helping to push the work of Christ and bringing about a better feeling in the State. We still have two State Conventions and probably will have for some time to come; but each is pursuing its course in a better spirit toward the other.

The new Convention is trying to carry on mission work and foster their school—the Seguin College.

Our Convention is endeavoring to do mission work and foster two academies besides clinging around Bishop College. We are not doing what we ought, because our people are not trained in the wise use of money. Spasmodic giving and sensational moving still prevail to a considerable extent; and yet our people are not moved so easily as formerly.

Our people give a great deal at times, but there is lacking the proper motive and therefore they do not give regularly.

Our work for these years consisted in holding Institutes for our ministers and churches, in this we have been greatly aided by our white pas-

tors. These Institutes have accomplished much for our people, and many of our preachers and churches enjoyed them; also we have endeavored to strengthen weak churches, help them out of debt and get them to adopt a business system in the management of their affairs. We have bought a few church lots and erected a few church buildings in destitute places in Texas.

HOUSTON AND HEARNE ACADEMIES.

Seven months of the past year have been devoted to, in coöperation with Rev. A. R. Griggs, D.D., the work of trying to free our two Academies of debt. We made an effort to raise (\$5000.00) five thousand dollars.

The flood, the drought and the short crop came, and we were able, after much labor and great sacrifice on our part, to raise only (\$2300.00) twenty-three hundred of the \$5000.00 needed. O for some liberal hearts to come to our rescue, and help us put our schools in condition to do the work so much needed to be done for our people. We need more and more Academies, well equipped, within reach of the masses of our people, to give them a Christian education—a religious training that cannot be gotten elsewhere.

We are thankful to the Society for what has been done, for the great schools founded and fostered, out of which come trained Christian teachers for our people; but we need them to carry this same Christian culture to our people through Academies, because it cannot be done very well in the public schools. Bishop College is still doing a good work. Her influence is felt over Texas. When Houston and Hearne Academies are out of debt and another building up at Hearne, these three schools will enable Texas to step quickly to the front in all good work.

Texas is a great mission field. In extreme south, west and southeast Texas we have but few preachers and church houses. Wickedness abounds, and our people have but few advantages of any kind. We need men and money. The work is urgent. Many are asking when the New Era Institutes will be started in Texas. This will be of untold advantage to our ministers and churches, as many are so circumstanced that they cannot attend school. Instead of less work to be done by our friends for our people, more ought to be done. The men and women trained in the Christian schools ought to be helped to reach in an intelligent and effective way the masses of our people. It is still true that the strong should help the weak. We thank God that through the help of the Society we have done what we could toward this end.

III. CHURCH EDIFICE DEPARTMENT.

As is generally known, the money at the disposition of your Board to aid in the erection of meeting-houses is partly in the

nature of a Loan Fund and partly in that of a Gift Fund: the principal of the Loan Fund amounts at the present time to \$156,373.26. This is loaned to churches in small amounts, at the uniform rate of 6 per cent. interest. One of the conditions of the loan is that the amount granted shall be the last payment required to complete the house of worship, and that the loan shall be secured by a first mortgage on the property: it is expected in every case that money thus loaned shall be regarded by the church receiving it as imposing a sacred obligation upon it to pay when due both interest and principal. The policy of the Society is not to encourage churches in asking loans of large amounts, thus encumbering themselves with a burdensome debt.

By the judicious use of this Loan Fund it has been possible to aid not only in the erection of new meeting-houses, but in some instances to save from imminent peril of loss valuable church property. The demand made upon this fund far exceeds the amount of money available. The fund should be largely increased.

The principal of the "Benevolent Fund," the interest of which is available in gifts to churches, now amounts to \$163,453.08. It will be readily seen that the income from this is necessarily very small, and with the lessening rates of interest on invested funds the amount will probably decrease. A little money is received during the year from legacies, or from churches or individuals designated for the Church Edifice Gift Fund: the entire amount of money available during the past fiscal year from this fund has been \$38,924.64. It has been necessary to turn a deaf ear to multitudes of most urgent appeals for aid in most worthy cases. We repeat what was said in the Annual Report last year, that there ought to be available not less than \$50,000 annually for use in this important branch of our work.

Especial attention is here called to the urgent necessity of money for the erection of suitable meeting-houses in Cuba and Porto Rico. An eligible property has been bought in the heart of the city of Santiago, and by some radical changes it has been made very attractive and suitable both for religious services, for

Sunday-school, and for a home for the missionary pastor. The entire cost of the property is about \$12,000. Twelve hundred dollars has been spent in the purchase of a small property in Rio Piedras, Porto Rico. Our work in those two islands would be greatly facilitated if we could have in Ponce and San Juan, in Porto Rico, and in Manzanillo, Cuba, church property as valuable and suitable for its purpose as that which we now own in Santiago. We trust that liberal-minded Baptists may be found at an early day to supply the money with which these houses of worship for our Baptist churches in our new possessions may be speedily secured.

The number of churches aided during the year is 72; by gift, only, 56; by loan only, 6; by gift and loan, 10.

The total number of grants from the Loan Fund is 16, and from the Gift Fund, 66.

The location of the churches receiving aid was in the following 29 States, Territories, Provinces, and Republic of Mexico:

By gifts: Alaska, 1; California, 2; Colorado, 5; Cuba, 1; Illinois, 4; Indian Territory, 4; Iowa, 4; Kansas, 6; Mexico, 1; Michigan, 2; Minnesota, 7; Missouri, 1; Montana, 1; Nebraska, 1; Nevada, 1; New Hampshire, 1; New Jersey, 1; New York, 2; North Dakota, 3; Ohio, 1; Oklahoma Territory, 1; Oregon, 3; Porto Rico, 1; Utah, 1; Virginia, 1; Washington, 6; Wisconsin, 5.

By loans: California, 1; Colorado, 2; Indian Territory, 1; Iowa, 1; Kansas, 1; Minnesota, 1; Missouri, 2; Oregon, 1; South Carolina, 1; South Dakota, 3; Washington 2.

The nationalities aided by gifts are as follows: American, 41; Danish-Norwegian, 2; Mexican, 1; German, 5; Colored, 6; Porto Rican, 1; Swede, 7; Indian, 2; Cuban, 1.

The nationalities aided by loans are as follows: American, 11; Swede, 1; Indian, 1; Colored, 3.

The whole number of churches aided up to the present time is 1992. Of these 1655 have been aided in the past nineteen years.

The following table shows the number of churches actually assisted during the past nineteen years:

YEAR.	NUMBER.	BY GIFT ONLY.	BY LOAN ONLY.	BY GIFT AND LOAN.
1881-2	66	56	10	..
1882-3	97	66	18	13
1883-4	107	68	13	26
1884-5	113	61	39	13
1885-6	62	23	36	3
1886-7	62	29	29	4
1887-8	88	46	22	20
1888-9	70	33	20	17
1889-90	87	54	16	17
1890-1	88	58	14	16
1891-2	121	66	20	35
1892-3	110	72	12	26
1893-4	84	63	5	16
1894-5	89	68	12	9
1895-6	93	54	22	17
1896-7	79	57	10	12
1897-8	85	59	16	10
1898-9	80	55	12	13
1899-1900	72	56	6	10

LOAN FUND STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1899-1900.

Receipts from contributions.	\$1,488 02
Receipts from loans repaid.	10,333 21
Receipts from interest received.	6,634 86
Total.	\$18,456 09
Principal of loan.	\$156,373 26
Aggregate of loans to sixteen churches.	11,725 00
Average to each church.	732 18
Number of churches that have paid their loans.	22

GIFT FUND STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1899-1900.

Receipts for this fund have been as follows:

Contributions.	\$22,601 50
Legacies.	2,189 00
Interest from investments.	8,083 32
Income from real estate.	1,287 38

From Annuity Funds released by death of donors.....	3,800 00
Gifts returned.	963 47
Total.	\$38,924 64
*Aggregate amount of gifts to sixty-six churches.	31,484 05
Average to each church.	477 00

The total amount of grants from the Loan and Gift Funds, of \$43,209, has secured church property of the value of \$120,486. This does not include the land whereon church edifices were erected which was secured previous to March 31, 1899.

IV. EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The report of the Superintendent of Education presents in detail the condition of the various schools embraced within our scheme of education. The efficiency of these schools is steadily increasing, their influence extending and their usefulness is becoming more and more fully understood.

The scheme of consolidating Wayland College and Seminary and the Theological Seminary at Richmond, under the general title of the Virginia Union University has now been consummated. The noble group of granite buildings erected for this school will be dedicated the week prior to the National Anniversaries, and it is safe to say that they compare favorably with those of any institution to be found anywhere in the South. The impression which they make upon visitors is that of commodiousness and durability. While their first cost has been considerable they are very economical buildings considering their quality. It is earnestly hoped that friends of Christian education will see in this event a reason for adding very materially to the permanent endowment fund of this institution. With nearly forty years of history behind it, with a beautiful campus, a magnificent group of buildings, an able faculty, a large attendance of students, and with a very considerable sum already accumulated as an endowment, the institution ought to appeal very strongly to business men and women who are seek-

*The amount constituting the difference between the income in the Gift Fund and the gifts paid is already appropriated for gifts to churches.

ing for a safe place in which to invest money where it will accomplish the greatest amount of good. For the present the current expenses of the institution will be possibly \$15,000 annually, which would require an endowment of \$300,000. A very modest sum when compared with the princely endowments of more pretentious institutions. It ought not to be difficult to secure what is lacking to make up this amount.

M. MacVicar, LL.D., who for so many years has been Superintendent of Education, and who has a most intimate knowledge of educational affairs in Virginia, and knows most fully the history of the two institutions now consolidated, and who possesses in a very eminent degree the confidence of both teachers and pupils, as well as of the general public, has consented to take the place of President of the University and is giving his ripe experience and wisdom to the immediate work of organization. He will continue for the time being to discharge a portion of the duties pertaining to the office of Superintendent.

Through special liberal gifts designated for the purpose, it has been possible to complete the campus of Spelman Seminary, so that it now embraces about twenty acres; this has been enclosed with an attractive iron fence, a new street has been cut through and graded and provided with a brick sidewalk and stone curbing, when other improvements now contemplated and in progress are completed, the Seminary and its campus will be very attractive. When these improvements are completed the institution will require only an adequate endowment to ensure its permanency and to project into the far distant future the beneficent influence which for twenty years it has been exerting.

The relations between the Society and the great body of Negro Baptists in the South is generally satisfactory. In two or three States men aspiring to leadership of the colored people along distinctively racial lines have assumed an attitude of unfriendliness to the Society, but their opposition, while it is to be deplored, especially for some of the methods which they employ in propagating their views, has not hindered the work of the Society.

REPORT OF

M. MACVICAR, LL.D., SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

The schools of the Society during the present year have made commendable progress. The attendance has been unusually good and both teachers and students have manifested a deep interest in their work. The suggestions made in my last annual report regarding the difficulties with which the teachers have to contend apply with equal force at the present time. This is particularly true of the secondary schools. These schools deserve at the hands of colored pastors and churches a more earnest, moral and financial support than they have yet received. A glance at the report of each secondary school given below will make apparent how little financial aid each receives directly from the churches. For this lack of support the pastors are undoubtedly largely responsible. They fail to press upon their churches the great importance of this educational work. Until they take hold of this matter earnestly and persistently these schools must continue to suffer greatly in their efficiency.

For full information regarding the extent of the work done by the higher institutions and by the secondary schools, and of the aid received for them from the colored churches, special attention is called to the following report of each school, for the year ending June 1st, 1899.

Atlanta Baptist College, founded originally at Augusta, Ga., 1867, transferred to Atlanta; incorporated 1879; charter amended 1897, changing the name to Atlanta Baptist College and giving the power of granting degrees; Rev. George Sale, President, 1890. Teachers employed, white, 8; colored, 7; present estimated value of property, \$80,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debt; receipts from Slater Fund, \$1100.00; from tuition, \$485.06; Board, \$2584.49; white churches and individuals, \$797.48; colored churches and individuals, \$102.99; old accounts, \$174.16; sources not included in classified accounts, \$2235.36; total receipts, \$7479.54; expenditures for school supplies, \$701.23; boarding department, \$1697.37; improvements and repairs, \$858.92; students' labor, \$8.06; gratuities, \$131.75; salaries, \$7950.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$1769.87; total expenditures, \$13,117.20. Appropriations by the Society \$6850.00; Slater Board, \$1100.00; total appropriations, \$7950.00; enrollment, males, 114; total, 114; average attendance, day students, 37; boarders, 49; general average, 86; preparing for college, 59; pursuing college course, 9; preparing to teach, 44; preparing for the ministry, 25; pursuing ministers' course, 15; receiving gratuity, 10; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$72.63; for school supplies only, \$8.15; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$32.80; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$133.04.

Alabama Colored Baptist University, founded at Selma, Ala., 1878; incorporated 1878; Rev. C. S. Dinkins, D.D., President, 1893. Teachers employed, white, 3; colored, 9. Present estimated value of property, \$30,000.00; floating debts, \$371.00; balance in hand from previous year, \$135.36; from tuition, \$776.27; from Board, \$3466.17; white churches and individuals, \$160.68; colored churches and individuals, \$2,453.83; old accounts, \$271.12; sources not included in classified accounts, \$272.25; total receipts, \$7535.68. Expenditures, for school supplies, \$203.14; boarding department, \$1665.71; improvements and repairs, \$1497.37; students' labor, \$406.50; gratuities, \$240.00; salaries, \$4268.88; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$519.32; total expenditures, \$8800.92. Appropriations by the Society, \$1000.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; by the Trustees, \$2908.88; total appropriations, \$4268.88. Enrollment, males, 141; females, 138; total, 279; average attendance, day students, 117; boarders, 56; general average, 173; preparing for college, 7; pursuing college course, 5; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 58; preparing to teach, 79; preparing for the ministry, 33; converted, 1; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$20.62; for school supplies only, \$1.16; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$49.75; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$71.53.

*Arkansas Baptist College, founded at Little Rock, Ark., 1887; incorporated 1885; Rev. Joseph A. Booker, President, 1889. Teachers employed, white, 0; colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$30,000.00; encumbrance, \$5000.00; floating debts, 500.00; endowment fund; appropriations by the Society, \$850.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$300.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$120.00; total appropriations, \$1270.00; enrollment, males, 105; females, 88; total, 193; average attendance, day students, 83; boarders, 20; general average, 103; preparing for college, 34; pursuing college course, 9; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 6; preparing to teach, 82; preparing for the ministry, 25; pursuing ministers' course, 25; receiving gratuity, 36; conversions, 1.

Benedict College, founded at Columbia, S. C., 1870; incorporated 1895; Rev. A. C. Osborn, D.D., President, 1895. Teachers employed, white, 10; colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$76,000.00; endowment fund, \$125,000.00; balance in hand from previous year, \$2670.12; from tuition, \$1200.43; from Board, \$5141.36; white churches and individuals, \$894.11; colored churches and individuals, \$724.83; old accounts, 321.30; sources not included in classified accounts, \$1228.04; total receipts, \$12,180.19; expenditures, for school supplies, \$378.02; boarding department, \$3449.72; improvements and re-

*Report incomplete.

pairs, \$842.87; students' labor, \$1075.78; gratuities, \$509.03; salaries, \$6534.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$1736.28; total expenditures, \$14,525.70; appropriations by the Society, \$5532.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; by the Trustees, \$642.00; total appropriations, \$6534.00; enrollment, males, 89; females, 123; total, 212; average attendance, day students, 42; boarders, 99; general average, 141; preparing for college, 19; pursuing college course, 9; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 146; preparing to teach, 82; preparing for the ministry, 22; pursuing ministers' course, 18; receiving gratuity, 28; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$46.07; for school supplies only, \$1.62; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$35.06; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$100.28.

Bishop College, founded at Marshall, Tex., 1881; incorporated 1885; Rev. Albert Loughridge, LL.D., President, 1898. Teachers employed, white, 10; colored, 3; present estimated value of property, \$100,000.00; receipts from Slater Fund, \$1000.00; from tuition, \$2522.27; from Board, \$8478.93; white churches and individuals, \$25.00; colored churches and individuals, \$96.90; old accounts, \$54.32; not included in classified accounts, \$1565.40; total receipts, \$13,742.82; expenditures, for school supplies, \$1055.27; boarding department, \$5418.64; improvements and repairs, \$4658.06; gratuities, \$271.50; salaries, 7855.91; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$323.31; total expenditures, \$19,582.69; appropriations by the Society, \$6028.33; Slater Board, \$1000.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; by the Trustees, \$467.58; total appropriations, \$7855.91; enrollment, males, 182; females, 183; total, 365; average attendance, day students, 132; boarders, 119; general average, 251; preparing for college, 39; pursuing college course, 2; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 262; preparing to teach, 94; preparing for the ministry, 21; pursuing ministers' course, 8; receiving gratuity, 26; conversions, 5; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$34.28; for school supplies only, \$4.20; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$51.80; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$90.28.

Hartshorn Memorial College (for females only), founded at Richmond, Va., 1884; incorporated 1884; Rev. L. B. Tefft, D.D., President, 1884. Teachers employed, white, 7; colored, 2; present estimated value of property, \$50,000.00; balance in hand from previous year, \$1963.26; from tuition, \$602.02; from Board, \$3044.88; white churches and individuals, \$484.00; colored churches and individuals, \$167.85; old accounts, \$223.50; sources not included in classified accounts, \$277.35; total receipts, \$6762.86; expenditures, for school supplies, \$201.85; boarding department, \$2231.75; improvements and re-

pairs, \$711.83; gratuities, \$102.43; salaries, \$4450.03; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$486.41; total expenditures, \$8184.30; appropriations by the Society, \$1200.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$1600.00; by Woman's Society of Michigan, \$450.00; by the trustees, \$1200.03; total appropriations, \$4450.03; enrollment, males, 1; females, 96; total, 97; average attendance, day students, 27; boarders, 56; general average, 83; preparing for college, 2; pursuing college course, 1; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 96; receiving gratuity, 8; conversions, 2; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$44.84; for school supplies only, \$2.08; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$0.77; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$76.06.

Jackson College, founded at Natchez, Miss., 1877; transferred to Jackson, Miss., 1884; Rev. L. G. Barrett, President, 1894. Teachers employed, white, 7; colored, 3; present estimated value of property, \$35,000.00; endowment fund, \$476.25; balance in hand from previous year, \$170.74; from tuition, \$485.05; from Board, \$2015.48; white churches and individuals, \$209.48; colored churches and individuals, \$5.50; old accounts, \$15.50; not included in classified accounts, \$113.45; total receipts, \$3015.20; expenditures, for school supplies, \$394.81; boarding department, \$1328.77; improvements and repairs, \$753.91; gratuities, \$99.01; salaries, \$4922.50; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$267.91; total expenditures, \$7766.91; appropriations by the Society, \$4250.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$400.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$175.00; by the Trustees, \$97.50; total appropriations, \$4922.50; enrollment, males, 43; females, 51; total, 94; average attendance, day students, 16; boarders, 43; general average 59; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 45; preparing to teach, 23; preparing for the ministry, 8; receiving gratuity, 16; conversions, 1; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$81.78; for school supplies only, \$6.69; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$30.90; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$125.17.

Richmond Theological Seminary, founded at Richmond, Va., 1867; incorporated, 1876; Rev. Charles H. Corey, D.D., President, 1868. Teachers employed, white, 2; colored, 2; present estimated value of property, \$10,000.00; endowment fund, \$65,338.91; balance in hand from previous year, \$1023.32; from tuition, \$271.00; from Board, \$1535.00; white churches and individuals, \$1082.25; colored churches and individuals, \$26.38; sources not included in classified accounts, \$1531.20; total receipts, \$5469.15; expenditures, for school supplies, \$288.84; boarding department, \$1344.45; improvements and repairs, \$63.98; gratuities, \$1233.35; salaries, \$4869.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$1758.28; total expenditures, \$9557.90; appropriations by the Society, \$4869.00; enrollment, males, 54; total, 54; average attendance, day students, 14; boarders, 30; general

average, 44; preparing for the ministry, 54; receiving gratuity, 25; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$66.06; for school supplies only, \$2.16; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$42.01; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$138.05.

Roger Williams University, founded at Nashville, Tenn., 1864; incorporated, 1883; Rev. A. T. Sowerby, Ph.D., President, 1898. Teachers employed, white, 9; colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$150,000.00; balance in hand from previous year \$64.55; from tuition, \$1170.16; from Board, \$4612.22; white churches and individuals, \$49.00; colored churches and individuals, \$146.08; old accounts, \$954.19; not included in classified accounts, \$986.62; total receipts, \$7982.82; expenditures, for school supplies, \$269.40; boarding department, \$3819.22; improvements and repairs, \$1734.86; students' labor, \$376.72; gratuities, \$428.64; salaries, \$6849.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$717.20; total expenditures, \$14,194.54; appropriations by the Society, \$6489.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; total appropriations, \$6849.00; enrollment, males, 132; females, 70; total, 202; average attendance, day students, 98; boarders, 82; general average, 180; preparing for college, 57; pursuing college course, 15; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 41; preparing to teach, 57; preparing for the ministry, 26; pursuing ministers' course, 16; pursuing missionary training course, 13; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$31.48; for school supplies only, \$1.33; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$18.95; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$67.64.

Shaw University, founded at Raleigh, N. C., 1865; incorporated 1875; Charles F. Meserve, LL.D., President, 1893. Teachers employed, white, 18; colored, 8; present estimated value of property, \$90,000.00; endowment fund, \$31,238.02; receipts from Slater Fund, \$2500.00; from tuition, \$3676.99; from Board, \$8078.98; white churches and individuals, \$698.25; colored churches and individuals, \$202.85; old accounts, \$271.40; not included in classified accounts, \$332.00; total receipts, \$16,360.47; expenditures, for school supplies, \$490.17; boarding department, \$5295.78; improvements and repairs, \$2171.35; students' labor, \$412.35; gratuities, \$223.00; salaries, \$13,843.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$1429.82; total expenditures, \$23,865.47; appropriations by the Society, \$7280.00; Slater Board, \$2500.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$760.00; by the Trustees, \$3303.00; total appropriations, \$13,843.00; enrollment, males, 202; females, 171; total, 373; average attendance, day students, 65; boarders, 185; general average, 250; preparing for college, 52; pursuing college course, 31; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 160; preparing to teach, 180; preparing for the ministry, 13; pursuing minis-

ters' course, 17; receiving gratuity, 22; pursuing missionary training course, 10; converted, 22; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$57.89; for school supplies only, \$1.95; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$28.60; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$92.93.

Spelman Seminary (for females only), founded at Atlanta, Ga., 1881; incorporated 1888; Miss S. B. Packard and Miss H. E. Giles, Associate Principals, 1881-91; Miss H. E. Giles, President, 1891; Miss L. H. Upton, Dean, 1891. Teachers employed, white, 35; colored, 3; present estimated value of property, \$175,000.00; endowment fund, \$7000.00; receipts from Slater Fund, \$3900.00; from tuition, \$2835.05; from Board, \$12,445.72; white churches and individuals, \$1545.12; colored churches and individuals, \$184.44; old accounts, \$975.29; not included in classified accounts, \$4761.69; total receipts, \$26,647.86; expenditures, for school supplies, \$2057.86; boarding department, \$8357.70; improvements and repairs, \$2492.96; students' labor, \$91.80; gratuities, \$3348.60; salaries, \$16,473.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$2193.99; total expenditures, \$35,015.91; by friends, \$4773.00; Slater Board, \$3900.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$7800.00; total appropriations, \$16,473.00; enrollment, females, 524; average attendance, day students, 161; boarders, 215; general average, 376; preparing for college, 5; pursuing college course, 2; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 375; preparing to teach, 250; pursuing missionary training course, 4; pursuing nurse training course, 33; conversions, 23; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$43.81; for school supplies only, \$5.47; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$38.87; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$81.10.

State University, founded at Louisville, Ky., 1873; incorporated 1873; Rev. C. L. Purce, D.D., President, 1894. Teachers employed, white, 2; colored, 10; present estimated value of property, \$30,000.00; encumbrance, \$7800.00; floating debts, \$3000.00; from tuition, \$956.60; from Board, \$1533.92; white churches and individuals, \$244.66; colored churches and individuals, \$509.07; old accounts, \$86.50; sources not included in classified accounts, \$2484.50; total receipts, \$5815.25; expenditures, for school supplies, \$230.01; boarding department, \$935.01; improvements and repairs, \$514.65; students' labor, \$20.00; salaries, \$3196.44; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$919.10; total expenditures, \$5815.21; appropriations by the Society, \$1000.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; by the Trustees, \$1836.44; total appropriations, \$3196.44; enrollment, males, 126; females, 43; total, 169; average attendance, day students, 105; boarders, 30; general average, 135; preparing for college, 70; pursuing college course, 13; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 22; preparing to teach, 65; preparing for the ministry, 30; pursuing

ministers' course, 30; converted, 10; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$24.35; for school supplies only, \$1.35; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$17.00; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$39.85.

Wayland Seminary, founded at Washington, D. C., 1865; Prof. G. R. Hovey, President, 1897. Teachers employed, white, 7; colored, 6; present estimated value of property, \$100,000.00; endowment fund, \$18,000.00; balance in hand from previous year, \$4.98; receipts from tuition, \$781.50; from Board, \$4383.34; white churches and individuals, \$185.00; colored churches and individuals, \$2.00; old accounts, \$467.53; not included in classified accounts, \$77.46; total receipts, \$5901.81; expenditures, for school supplies, \$8.72; boarding department, \$3623.17; improvements and repairs, \$516.94; students' labor, \$772.05; salaries, \$6085.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$750.19; total expenditures, \$11,756.07; appropriations by the Society, \$5725.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; total appropriations, \$6085.00; enrollment, males, 97; females, 65; total, 162; average attendance, day students, 25; boarders, 93; general average, 118; preparing for college, 25; pursuing college course, 4; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 15; preparing to teach, 35; preparing for the ministry, 38; pursuing ministers' course, 15; receiving gratuity, 4; conversions, 17; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$51.35; for school supplies only, \$1.65; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$38.95; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$98.71.

SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR COLORED PEOPLE.

*Americus Institute, Americus, Ga., Prof. M. W. Reddick, Principal, 1898. Teachers employed, colored, 2; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; enrollment, males, 30; females, 55; total, 85; average attendance, day students, 50; preparing to teach, 34; preparing for the ministry, 1; pursuing ministers' course, 1; converted, 4.

*Bible and Normal Institute, founded at Memphis, Tenn.; incorporated 1887; Prof. N. H. Pius, Principal, 1896. Teachers employed, white, 2; colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$20,000.00; encumbrance, \$10,000.00; floating debts, \$800.00; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; total appropriations, \$860.00; enrollment, males, 63; females, 61; total, 124; average attendance, 69; preparing to teach, 36; preparing for the ministry, 11; pursuing ministers' course, 20; receiving gratuity, 4; pursuing missionary training course, 40.

Florida Baptist Academy, founded at Jacksonville, Fla., 1892; Prof.

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N. W. Collier, Principal, 1896. Teachers employed, white, 0; colored, 9; present estimated value of property, \$8000.00; encumbrance, \$500.00; floating debts, \$2000.00; receipts from tuition, \$418.97; from Board, \$1757.99; white churches and individuals, \$1100.14; colored churches and individuals, \$1127.71; old accounts, \$151.75; not included in classified accounts, \$795.25; total receipts, \$5346.81; expenditures, for school supplies, \$97.67; boarding department, \$672.91; improvements and repairs, \$1302.34; students' labor, \$342.96; gratuities, \$55.00; salaries, \$2264.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$611.93; total expenditures, \$5346.81; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$120.00; by the Trustees, \$1644.00; total appropriations, \$2264.00; enrollment, males, 67; females, 118; total, 185; average attendance, day students, 77; boarders, 35; general average, 112; preparing for college, 7; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 33; preparing to teach, 37; preparing for the ministry, 5; receiving gratuity, 14; conversions, 3; average cost per pupil for instruction only \$22.50; for school supplies only, \$0.88; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$31.88; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$35.70.

Florida Institute, founded at Live Oak, Fla., 1876; incorporated 1876; Rev. G. P. McKinney, Principal, 1892. Teachers employed, white, 0; colored, 7; present estimated value of property, \$7000.00; receipts from tuition, \$516.80; from Board, \$1387.54; white churches and individuals, \$148.75; colored churches and individuals, \$1974.75; old accounts, \$269.44; not included in classified accounts, \$168.50; total receipts, \$4493.65; expenditures, for school supplies, \$86.87; boarding department, \$1207.52; improvements and repairs, \$173.08; students' labor, \$188.75; gratuities, \$348.65; salaries, \$2459.07; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$501.71; total expenditures, \$4965.65; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the Trustees, \$1959.07; total appropriations, \$2459.07; enrollment, males, 53; females, 78; total, 131; average attendance, day students, 60; boarders, 27; general average, 87; pursuing college course, 8; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 87; preparing to teach, 30; preparing for the ministry, 3; receiving gratuity, 29; conversions, 11; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$24.20; for school supplies only, \$0.99; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$44.72; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$51.00.

*Coleman Academy, founded at Gibsland, La.; incorporated, 1887; Prof. O. L. Coleman, Principal, 1890. Teachers employed, colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$10,000.00; floating debts, \$83.73; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$500.00;

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total appropriations, \$1000.00; enrollment, males, 86; females, 88; total, 174; average attendance, day students, 43; boarders, 34; general average, 77; preparing for college, 26; pursuing college course, 26; preparing to teach, 90; preparing for the ministry, 11; conversions, 15; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$1.00; for school supplies only, \$0.54; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$2.26; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$1.74.

*Hearne Academy, founded at Hearne, Tex., Prof. J. H. Anderson, Principal, 1896. Teachers employed, white, 0; colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$6000.00; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; enrollment, males, 25; females, 50; total, 75; average attendance, day students, 17; boarders, 31; general average, 48; preparing for college, 10; pursuing college course, 10; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 53; preparing to teach, 30; preparing for the ministry, 10; receiving gratuity, 11; pursuing missionary training course, 5; conversions, 5.

*Houston Academy, founded at Houston, Tex., 1893; incorporated 1893; Miss Mamie C. Jones, Principal, 1898. Teachers employed, white, 0; colored, 3; present estimated value of property, \$5000.00; floating debts, \$58.00; appropriation by the Society, \$500.00; enrollment, males, 19; females, 43; total, 62; average attendance, day students, 19; boarders, 10; general average, 29; preparing to teach, 18; receiving gratuity, 5; conversions, 2.

Jeruel Academy, founded at Athens, Ga.; Rev. J. H. Brown, Principal, 1893. Teachers employed, white, 1; colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$8000.00; floating debts, \$400.00; from tuition, \$415.10; Board, \$794.73; white churches and individuals, \$32.25; colored churches and individuals, \$547.74; old accounts, \$79.70; not included in classified accounts, \$1.25; total receipts, \$1870.77; expenditures, for school supplies, \$77.30; boarding department, \$570.52; improvements and repairs, \$537.64; salaries, \$1089.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$95.88; total expenditures, \$2370.34; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the Trustees, \$589.00; total appropriations, \$1089.00; enrollment, males, 81; females, 100; total, 181; average attendance, day students, 52; boarders, 37; general average, 89; preparing to teach, 81; preparing for the ministry, 8; receiving gratuity, 6; pursuing nurse training course, 10; conversions, 19; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$12.10; for school supplies only, \$0.85; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$1.45; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$15.19.

Mather School, founded at Beaufort, S. C., 1869; Mrs. R. C. Mather, Principal, 1869. Teachers employed, white, 4; colored, 1; present estimated

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value of property, \$4500.00; appropriation by Woman's Society of Boston, \$700.00; enrollment, males, 43; females, 64; total, 107; average attendance, day students, 36; boarders, 24; general average, 60; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 35; preparing to teach, 8; pursuing missionary training course, 7; conversions, 8.

Spiller Academy, located at Hampton, Va.; was founded by Rev. R. Spiller, and in 1897 became affiliated with the Virginia Union University; Rev. George E. Read, Principal, 1898. Teachers employed, white, 0; colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$6950.00; encumbrance, \$1000.00; floating debts, \$500.00; receipts from tuition, \$198.50; from Board \$825.99; white churches and individuals, \$41.00; colored churches and individuals, \$442.46; old accounts, \$37.50; not included in classified accounts, \$175.00; total receipts, \$1720.45; expenditures, for school supplies, \$235.32; boarding department, \$558.55; improvements and repairs, \$350.54; students' labor, \$241.00; gratuities, \$5.00; salaries, \$800.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$112.34; total expenditures, \$2302.75; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the Trustees, \$300.00; total appropriations, \$800.00; enrollment, males, 38; females, 58; total, 96; average attendance, day students, 42; boarders, 22; general average, 64; preparing for college, 35; preparing to teach, 18; preparing for the ministry, 6; pursuing ministers' course, 6; receiving gratuity, 1; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$18.00; for school supplies only, \$2.35; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$5.58; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$23.22.

Walker Institute, founded at Augusta, Ga.; incorporated 1885; Prof. N. W. Curtright, Principal, 1892. Teachers employed, white, 0; colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$4800.00; encumbrance, \$1260.00; receipts from tuition, \$376.85; white churches and individuals, \$44.70; colored churches and individuals, \$656.64; not included in classified accounts, \$96.80; total receipts, \$1174.99; expenditures, for school supplies, \$88.20; improvements and repairs, \$54.99; gratuities, \$84.75; salaries, \$1323.24; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$285.81; total expenditures, \$1836.99; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the Trustees, \$823.24; total appropriations, \$1323.24; enrollment, males, 24; females, 71; total, 95; average attendance, day students, 57; preparing for college, 24; preparing to teach, 57; preparing for the ministry, 6; converted, 3; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$23.21; for school supplies only, \$1.55; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$19.70.

Waters' Normal Institute, founded at Winton, N. C.; incorporated 1887; Rev. C. S. Brown, Principal, 1890. Teachers employed, white, 0; colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$12,000.00; encumbrance,

\$1460.00; receipts from tuition, \$200.75; from Board, \$974.49; white churches and individuals, \$35.00; colored churches and individuals, \$247.10; old accounts, \$96.82; total receipts, \$1554.18; expenditures, for school supplies, \$33.05; boarding department, \$724.34; improvements and repairs, \$52.12; salaries, \$1350.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$543.36; total expenditures, \$2702.87; appropriations by the Society, \$700.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$400.00; by the Trustees, \$250.00; total appropriations, \$1350.00; enrollment, males, 81; females, 130; total, 211; average attendance, day students, 78; boarders, 42; general average, 120; preparing to teach, 43; preparing for the ministry, 3; converted, 13; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$6.00; for school supplies only, \$0.16; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$17.46; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$23.88.

Western College, founded at Macon, Mo., 1891; incorporated 1894; Rev. E. L. Scruggs, Principal, 1892. Teachers employed, white, 0; colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$15,875.00; receipts from tuition, \$437.50; from Board, \$1572.23; white churches and individuals, \$384.30; colored churches and individuals, \$1014.92; old accounts, \$20.00; sources not included in classified accounts, \$10.50; total receipts, \$3,439.45; expenditures, for school supplies, \$215.66; boarding department, \$1148.61; improvements and repairs, \$15.26; salaries, \$1832.51; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$2779.79; total expenditures, \$5991.83; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$1332.51; total appropriations, \$1832.51; enrollment, males, 73; females, 68; total, 141; average attendance, day students, 46; boarders, 41; general average, 87; preparing for college, 4; pursuing college course, 3; preparing to teach, 44; preparing for the ministry, 13; pursuing ministers' course, 2; converted, 18; average cost per pupil for instruction only \$20.82; for school supplies only, \$2.45; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$27.77; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$62.18.

HIGHER AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR INDIANS.

Indian University, founded at Tahlequah, 1879; incorporated 1881; transferred to Muscogee, 1885; Rev. J. H. Scott, President, 1897 (Bacone, P. O., Ind. Ter.). Teachers employed, white, 10; present estimated value of property, \$30,000.00; floating debts, \$2000.00; endowment fund, \$1626.02; receipts from tuition, \$612.62; from Board, \$3014.33; churches and individuals, \$384.80; old accounts, \$560.20; not included in classified accounts, \$431.63; total receipts, \$4571.95; expenditures, for school supplies, \$415.37; boarding department, \$3105.44; improvements and repairs, \$927.99; gratuities, \$110.00; salaries, \$4830.00; sundries not

included in classified accounts, \$401.69; total expenditures, \$9388.80; appropriations by the Society, \$3750.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$400.00; by Woman's Society of Chicago, \$680.00; total appropriations, \$4830.00; enrollment, males, 51; females, 40; total, 91; average attendance, day students, 11; boarders, 37; general average, 48; preparing for college, 27; pursuing college course, 10; preparing to teach, 4; preparing for the ministry, 4; receiving gratuity, 3.

Atoka Academy, founded at Atoka, I. T., 1888; not incorporated; Prof. E. H. Rishel, Principal, 1891. Teachers employed, white, 10; present estimated value of property, \$5000.00; balance in hand from previous year, \$1556.03; receipts from tuition, \$1643.00; from Board, \$5206.00; churches and individuals, \$57.92; old accounts, \$80.80; not included in classified accounts, \$998.86; total receipts, \$9542.61; expenditures, for school supplies, \$90.75; boarding department, \$4962.14; improvements and repairs, \$445.17; gratuities, \$99.80; salaries, \$3146.53; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$966.86; total expenditures, \$9711.25; appropriations by the Society, \$1025.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$800.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$200.00; by the Trustees, \$1096.53; total appropriations, \$3146.53; enrollment, males, 83; females, 110; total, 193; average attendance, day students, 57; boarders, 49; general average, 106; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 63; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$19.42; for school supplies only, \$0.84; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$63.42; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$36.53.

Cherokee Academy, founded at Tahlequah, I. T., 1886; not incorporated; Prof. J. C. Park, Principal, 1897. Teachers employed, white, 4; present estimated value of property, \$5000.00; receipts from tuition, \$334.03; from Board, \$474.79; churches and individuals, \$63.53; old accounts, \$8.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$260.55; total receipts, \$1140.90; expenditures, for school supplies, \$239.45; boarding department, \$506.04; improvements and repairs, \$137.35; salaries, \$1533.28; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$245.51; total expenditures, \$2661.63; appropriations by the Society, \$1400.00; by the Trustees, \$133.28; total, 33; average attendance, day students, 10; boarders, 29; preparing for 126; average attendance, day students, 60; boarders, 5; general average, 65; preparing for college, 2; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 14; preparing to teach, 3; receiving gratuity, 3; conversions, 3.

Wichita Mission School, founded at Anadarko, Okla, Ter.; Rev. D. Noble Crane, Principal, 1894. Teachers employed, white, 6; appropriations by the Society, \$1600.00; enrollment, males, 16; females, 17; total, 33; average attendance, day students, 10; boarders, 29; preparing for college, 2; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 33; con-

versions, 4; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$55.34; for school supplies only, \$3.03; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$58.37.

CHINESE MISSION SCHOOLS.

Appropriations by the Society in California: San Francisco, \$741.66; Oakland, \$550. In Washington: Spokane, \$300. By the Woman's Society of Boston in California: Fresno, \$500; Sacramento, \$400; Butte City, Mont., \$300.

SCHOOLS IN UTAH.

Appropriations by the Woman's Society of Boston: Provo, \$702.

SCHOOLS IN MEXICO.

Appropriations by the Woman's Society of Boston: International, Monterey, \$440; Montemorelos, \$165.

SCHOOL IN NEW MEXICO.

Appropriations by the Society, \$300; by the Woman's Society of Boston, Velarde, \$600.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR. 1898, 1899.

1. The enrollment of students for colored people was, males, 1969; females, 2436; total, 4505; the average number of boarders was, 1380; day pupils, 1568; general average, 2948. Of the number enrolled, 372 were studying for the ministry, 1517 preparing to teach, 79 in the missionary training course, 43 in the nurse training course, and 1434 received systematic instruction in some line of industrial work. The enrollment in schools for Indians was 225 males, 218 females; total 443. Of this number 4 were studying for the ministry and 7 preparing to teach. The total enrollment in all the schools, both colored and Indian, was 4948, and the total number of conversions during the year was 190.

2. There were employed in all of the 26 colored schools receiving help from the American Baptist Home Mission Society 251 teachers; 127 white, 124 colored; 98 of whom were males and 153 females. Of the male teachers 33 were white and 65 colored; of the female teachers, 91 were white and 62 colored.

3. The expenditure for the salary of teachers for the school year 1898-9

was as follows: The American Baptist Home Mission Society contributed for Negro schools \$57,273.33; Indian schools, \$7775.00; Chinese and Mexican schools, \$1891.66; the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society of New England, Negro schools, \$12,100.00; Indian schools, \$1200.00; Chinese, Mormon and Mexican schools, \$3107.00; the Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society of Chicago, Negro schools, \$3695.00; Indian schools, \$880.00; the Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society of Michigan, Negro schools, \$450.00; Trustees and special friends of the 10 Negro schools managed by the American Baptist Home Mission Society (including Harts-horn Memorial College), \$10,483.11; the John F. Slater Fund, \$8500.00; the 16 schools controlled by Negro trustees, \$11,643.14; and Trustees of Indian schools, \$1229.81; making a total expenditure for teachers' salaries of \$120,228.05. Of this amount \$104,144.58 were paid to teachers in colored schools, \$11,084.81 to teachers in Indian schools, and \$4998.66 to teachers in schools for Chinese, Mormons and Mexicans.

4. The receipts from the colored people themselves for 1898-99 were as follows: From tuition fees, \$18,346.87; from charge for board, \$65,233.46; from old accounts, \$4470.02; from sources not designated in reports from schools, \$23,112.62; from churches and individuals, \$10,634.04, making a total of \$121,797.01. Of this amount, \$11,643.14 has been paid, as stated above in paragraph 3, on teachers' salaries, and the balance, \$110,153.87, has been expended for other current expenses, including board, school supplies, etc., by the President or Principal of each of the 26 schools, under the direction of the authorities of the institutions.

5. The American Baptist Home Mission Society contributed for the support of the colored schools in 1898-99, in addition to the \$57,273.33 paid on the salaries of teachers given above in paragraph 3, the sum of \$25,456.05, which was expended for buildings and other purposes, making the total contribution by the Society, \$82,729.38; this amount, and the \$46,871.25 contributed by the other outside sources named in paragraph 3, added to the \$121,797.01 contributed by the colored people, as given in paragraph 4, make a grand total of \$251,397.64, or over a quarter of a million dollars expended in the education of the colored people in the schools helped by the Society during the school year 1898-99.

6. There are now 26 schools for colored people helped by the American Baptist Home Mission Society, 16 of which are under the entire control and management of Negro Boards of Trustees. In the other 10 the salaries of all of the teachers, amounting to \$79,831.44, are paid through the American Baptist Home Mission Society by the parties named above in paragraph 3. Of these 10 schools, Jackson College and Wayland Seminary have at present no Board of Trustees, and hence are managed from the office in New York. Each of the other 8 schools has a Board of Trustees composed of white and colored members, which is charged with the direct management of the institution, subject to approval by the Execu-

tive Board of the Society. There are in all of these boards 59 white and 23 colored members. The Society in 1898-99 contributed to these 10 schools for teachers' salaries, \$48,223.33, and for building and other purposes, \$24,083.97, making a total of \$72,307.30. The colored people, in addition to paying the charge made in these 10 institutions for instruction, board, etc., have contributed for their support as follows: Churches and individuals, \$1659.82; surplus from the schools, \$3457.19; making a total of \$5117.01, or an average per school of \$511.70.

7. The 16 schools under the entire control and management of Negro Boards of Trustees consist of 3 holding college charters and 13 secondary or academic schools. The aggregate salary of all the teachers in these 16 schools in 1898-99 was \$24,313.14, of which the American Baptist Home Mission Society paid \$9050.00. The expenditure for board, school supplies and all other current expenses was \$17,090.23, making a total expenditure for 1898-99 of \$41,403.37. This amount provides but very meagerly for the support of the schools. Each of these schools is subject to visitation by the Superintendent of Education and is required to make the same financial and other reports to the office in New York as the schools under the more immediate control of the Home Mission Society.

CONCLUSION.

This report is being prepared just after the conclusion of the sessions of the Ecumenical Conference in behalf of Foreign Missions, which were held in this city during ten days closing with May 1st. It is perhaps not too much to say that the Conference as a whole was one of the most significant religious events of the present century, and was a fitting conclusion for a period that has been characterized as the Century of Missions. It was remarkable alike for the number and character of the delegates in attendance, for the vast throngs of people that crowded its various meetings, for the high order of the addresses delivered, for the character of the men—including the President of the United States, an ex-President, the Governor of the State, the President of the Chamber of Commerce, and other distinguished laymen—who by their presence and their interest added weight to the deliberations of the Conference, and it was distinguished also by the sustained interest of the multitudes, and of the degree of religious enthusiasm in behalf of missions manifested through-

out the series of meetings. We rejoice to believe that the influence of the Conference will be almost wholly good and very lasting; and we look to see an increase of interest throughout the country in behalf of missions, and a very marked addition to missionary funds.

While the attention of the Conference was directed chiefly to the cause of Foreign Missions, there was everywhere a recognition of the unity of the cause, and frequent references to the importance and urgency of Home Missions. There was a recognition, too, that the United States has come to be not only a world-power, but that it is destined to exert a profound influence, especially upon the nations of the East not only upon political and commercial lines, but in religious affairs as well.

No thoughtful man can escape the conviction that if the United States is to meet the religious obligations which God seems to have laid upon it, and is to be a mighty factor during the next century in modifying the religious convictions of the peoples of the Orient, there must be no slackening of interest in the cause of Home Missions. "The stream cannot rise higher than its source." Unless the vast and rapidly increasing population of the United States is to become largely, through Home Mission effort, more and more thoroughly Protestant and evangelical, it will be impossible for the churches here to accomplish all that the opportunities of the age make possible.

We may be allowed also to lay especial stress in this concluding word upon the fact that the vast tide of foreign immigration which during the last fifty years has brought to our shores no less than twenty millions of people, shows no signs of slackening. Whatever, therefore, may be our interest, and it ought to be intense, in the evangelization of foreigners in their own lands, our interest should be far greater in the evangelization of the foreigners who are not only at our gates but within our homes, and who by their presence are slowly but surely modifying our national life. We are sanguine in the belief that we are now entering upon the greatest of centuries, and that we shall see such a movement of evangelization in behalf of people at home and abroad

as has never been witnessed in the history of the church. Our prayer and hope is that the American Baptist Home Mission Society, which has been so signally honored by the Master in its sixty-eight years of history, may be used in the coming century as one of the great factors in hastening the complete establishment of the Kingdom of Him whose right it is to reign.

ALVAH S. HOBART,
Chairman.

THOS. J. MORGAN,
Cor. Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31ST, 1900.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR GENERAL WORK.

RECEIPTS.			
Contributions for General Purposes.....		\$26,340 02	
" " Education.....		23,152 51	
Total of General Contributions, not including Donations for Schools.....			\$49,492 53
DONATIONS FOR SCHOOLS.			
Wayland Seminary, D. C.—			
Contributions.....	\$100 00		
Surplus Account.....	230 74		
		\$330 74	
Richmond Theological Seminary, Va.—			
Contributions.....	48 86		
" Specially Designated.....	312 50		
		361 36	
Hammons Memorial College, Va.—			
Contributions.....		2,112 50	
Shaw University, N. C.—			
Contributions, Specially Designated.....		100 00	
Benedict College, S. C.—			
Contributions, Specially Designated.....		50 00	
Spelman Seminary, Ga.—			
Contributions.....	\$7,087 50		
For Purchase of Land.....	6,023 00		
		\$13,050 50	
Atlanta Baptist College, Ga.—			
Contributions, Specially Designated.....		30 00	
Roger Williams University, Tenn.—			
Contributions.....	\$100 00		
Surplus Account.....	215 08		
		315 08	
Jackson College, Miss.—			
Contributions.....	\$400 00		
Surplus Account.....	500 00		
		900 00	
Bishop College, Tex.—			
Surplus Account.....		548 46	
Amount forward.....		\$17,702 14	\$82,442 53

Amount brought forward.....		\$17,799 14	\$229,492 53
DONATIONS FOR SCHOOLS.—Continued.			
Indian University, Ind. Ter.—			
Contributions.....	\$400 00		
" Specially Designated.....	237 70	\$637 70	
Florida Baptist Academy, Fla.—			
Contributions, Specially Designated		340 00	
State University, Ky.—			
Contributions.....		88 92	
Coleman Academy, La.—			
Contributions.....		512 47	
Wichita Academy, O. T.—			
Contributions.....		1,076 03	
Cherokee Academy, Ind. Ter.—			
Contributions, Specially Designated.....		19 10	
Atoka Academy, Ind. Ter.—			
Contributions.....		800 00	
Waters' Normal Institute, N. C.—			
Contributions.....		500 00	
Mather School, S. C.—			
Contributions.....		1,109 00	
Alabama Baptist Colored University, Ala.—			
Contributions, Specially Designated.....		30 00	
Arkansas Baptist College, Ark —			
Contributions.....		300 00	
Chinese School, Fresno, Cal.—			
Contributions.....		500 00	
Chinese School, Sacramento, Cal.—			
Contributions.....		400 00	
Velarde, New Mex., School.—			
Contributions.....		600 00	
Chinese School, Butte, Mont.—			
Contributions.....		300 00	
Amount forward.....		\$25,003 28	\$229,492 53

Amount brought forward.....		\$25,003 28	\$229,492 53
DONATIONS FOR SCHOOLS.—Continued.			
Schools in Mexico.—			
Contributions for International School.....		437 80	
" " Montemorelos "		165 00	
Schools in Puerto Rico.—			
Contributions.....		300 00	
Provo, Utah, School—			
Contributions.....		702 00	
Virginia Union University, Va.—			
Contributions for Building.....	\$3,150 77		
Specially Designated.....	3,000 00		
Total Receipts for Schools.....		6,150 77	\$32,758 94
Legacies for General Purposes.....	\$31,954 70		
" " Education.....	1,026 75		
From Annuity Funds, released by the death of annuitants..		\$33,581 45	
" Emergency Fund.....		13,600 00	47,181 45
			36,126 62
MISCELLANEOUS.			
From Sale and Rent of Real Estate.....		815 00	
Income from Permanent Trust Fund.....		18,066 67	
" " Isaac Davis Fund.....		404 00	
" " Annuity Fund.....		20,230 02	
" " Interest and Dividends.....		605 51	
" " Home Mission Monthly.....		3,140 04	
" " Jubilee Volume.....		3 75	43,264 99
Total Amount of Receipts.....			\$388,824 53
Cash in Treasury, April 1st, 1899.....		5,890 29	
Debt of the Society, April 1st, 1900.....		32,200 90	38,091 19
			\$426,915 72

DISBURSEMENTS OF GENERAL FUND.

FOR MISSION WORK		
English.....		\$106,969 98
Scandinavian.....		26,738 42
German.....		14,815 39
French.....		6,136 36
Colored.....		7,878 28
Indian.....		5,172 26
Chinese.....		4,398 78
Mexican.....		8,856 79
Bohemian.....		338 92
Cuban.....		4,753 13
Portuguese.....		356 05
Puerto Rican.....		6,679 01
Finn.....		216 07
Japanese.....		540 08
Polish.....		702 50
Italian.....		3,393 94
Jews.....		916 67
		\$108,781 63
FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK.		
Virginia Union University, Va.		
Salary of George Rice Hovey, Dean.....	\$1,500 00	
" " Teachers.....	4,552 94	
Specialty Designated for Students.....	60 00	
Expenses.....	163 15	\$6,276 09
Salary and Expenses of Geo. F. Gannug, Dean of the Theological Seminary.....	\$1,360 30	
" " of Teachers.....	3,061 30	
Specialty Designated for Students.....	425 36	
Expenses.....	278 36	5,125 52
Construction Account.....		314 07 76
Salary and Expenses of J. W. Kirby.....		706 44
Hartshorn, Memorial College, Va.—		
Salary of Lyman. B. Tefft, President.....	\$1,200 00	
" " Teachers.....	2,225 00	
Specialty Designated for Students.....	5 00	
		3,430 00
Shaw University, N. C.—		
Salary of Charles F. Meserve, President.....	\$2,000 00	
" " Teachers.....	5,712 50	
Specialty Designated for Students.....	147 06	
Expenses.....	347 13	8,256 69
Benedict College, S. C.—		
Salary and Expenses of A. C. Osborn, President.....	\$1,554 28	
" " of Teachers.....	4,469 00	
Specialty Designated for Students.....	25 30	
Expenses.....	57 50	6,106 08
Atlanta Baptist College, Ga.—		
Salary of Geo. Sale, President.....	\$1,700 00	
" " Teachers.....	4,100 36	
Specialty Designated for Students.....	131 46	
Expenses.....	2,711 99	8,643 81
Amount forward.....		\$74,347 00
		\$198,781 63

Amount brought forward.....		\$70,347 00	\$198,784 01
FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK.—Continued.			
Spelman Seminary, Ga.—			
Salary of Harriet E. Giles, President.....	\$800 00		
" " L. H. Upton, Deam.....	600 00		
" " Teachers.....	5,820 00		
Specialty Designated for Students.....	102 77		
Expenses.....	571 00		
Property Account, Purchase of Land, etc.....	7,239 47		
		\$25,132 24	
Roger Williams University, Tenn.—			
Salary and Expenses of P. B. Guernsey, President.....	\$758 30		
" of A. T. Sowerby, Ex-President.....	750 00		
" " Teachers.....	6,087 50		
Expenses.....	12 00		
		7,587 80	
Jackson College, Miss.—			
Salary of Luther G. Barrett, President.....	\$1,500 00		
" " Teachers.....	3,462 31		
Expenses.....	173 00		
		5,135 31	
Bishop College, Tex.—			
Salary of Albert Loughridge, President.....	\$1,500 00		
" " Teachers.....	5,830 40		
Expenses.....	282 25		
		7,602 74	
Indian University, I. T.—			
Salary of J. H. Scott, President.....	\$1,150 04		
" " Teachers.....	2,972 09		
Specialty Designated for Students.....	35 00		
Expenses.....	1,456 88		
Salary and Expenses of A. J. Eaton.....	538 89		
		6,152 90	
Florida Institute, Fla.—			
Salary of G. P. McKinney, Principal.....	\$166 67		
" " Teachers.....	333 33		
		500 00	
Florida Baptist Academy, Fla.—			
Salary of N. W. Collier, Principal.....	\$300 00		
" " Teachers.....	200 00		
Specialty Designated for Students.....	1 00		
Expenses.....	6 00		
Property Account.....	840 00		
		1,447 00	
Alabama Baptist Colored University, Ala.—			
Salary of C. S. Dinkins, Principal.....	\$379 98		
" " Teachers.....	610 00		
Specialty Designated for Students.....	70 00		
		1,059 98	
State University, Ky.—			
Salary of C. L. Force, Principal.....	\$344 46		
" " Teachers.....	655 34		
		1,000 00	
Waters' Normal Institute, N. C.—			
Salary of C. S. Brown, Principal.....	\$600 00		
" " Teachers.....	500 00		
		1,100 00	
Amount forward.....		\$116,025 87	\$198,784 01

Amount brought forward.....		\$116,925 87	\$198,781 63
FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK.—Continued.			
Mather School, S. C.—			
Salary of Mrs. R. C. Mather, Principal.....	\$250 00		
" " Teachers.....	805 00	1,055 00	
Bible and Normal Institute, Tenn.—			
Salary of Joshua Lovister, Principal.....	\$375 00		
Salary of N. H. Pius.....	125 00	500 00	
Coleman Academy, La.—			
Salary of O. L. Coleman, Principal.....	\$400 00		
" " Teachers.....	606 22	1,006 22	
Houston Academy, Tex.—			
Salary of W. F. Bledson, Principal.....	\$234 36		
" " Teachers.....	162 56		
" " and Expenses of A. R. Griggs.....	131 38	528 30	
Hearse Academy, Tex.—			
Salary of John F. Anderson, Principal.....	\$250 00		
" " Teachers.....	250 00		
" " and Expenses of A. R. Griggs.....	131 38	631 38	
Jeruel Academy, Ga.—			
Salary of J. H. Brown, Principal.....	\$300 00		
" " Teachers.....	183 34	483 34	
Walker Baptist Academy, Ga.—			
Salary of N. W. Currwright, Principal.....	\$160 00		
" " Teachers.....	340 00	500 00	
Western College, Macon, Mo.—			
Salary of E. L. Scruggs, Principal.....	\$180 00		
" " Teachers.....	320 00	500 00	
Cherokee Academy, Ind. Ter.—			
Salary of J. C. Park, Principal.....	\$800 00		
" " Teachers.....	638 84		
Specially Designated for Students.....	1 00		
Expenses.....	207 50	1,665 35	
Atoka Academy, Ind. Ter.—			
Salary of E. H. Rishel, Principal.....	\$825 00		
" " Teachers.....	112 12		
Specially Designated for Students.....	00	1,741 12	
Wichita Mission, O. T.—			
Salary of D. Noble Crane, Principal.....	\$600 00		
" " Teachers.....	425 00		
Specially Designated for Students.....	1 53	1,049 53	
Amount forward.....		\$120,180 11	\$198,781 63

Amount brought forward.....		\$126,586 11	\$198,781 63
FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK.—Continued.			
Americus Institute, Ga.—			
Salary of M. W. Reddick, Principal.....	\$140 60		
Salary of Teachers.....	284 38	424 98	
Arkansas Baptist College, Ark.—			
Salary of Jos. A. Booker, Principal.....	\$500 00		
" " Teachers.....	650 00	1,150 00	
Chinese Schools, California.—			
Salary of Teachers at Fresno.....	\$500 00		
" " " " San Francisco.....	933 32		
" " " " Sacramento.....	400 00		
" " " " Oakland.....	700 00	2,533 32	
Chinese School, Spokane, Wash.—			
Salary of Teacher.....		315 00	
Chinese School, Butte, Mont.—			
Salary of Teacher.....		300 00	
Provo School, Utah.—			
Salary of Teachers		702 00	
Velarde School, New Mexico.—			
Salary of Teachers.....	\$1,110 00		
Expenses.....	90 00	1,200 00	
Schools in Mexico.—			
International School, Salary of Teachers.....	\$365 42		
Expenses.....	28 86		
Montemorelos School, Salary of Teachers.....	211 23	605 51	
Work in Puerto Rico.—			
Salary and Expenses of Teacher.....		303 50	
Spiller Academy, Va.—			
Salary of Teachers.....		500 00	
Work in Tennessee.—			
Salary and Expenses of T. J. Searcy.....		630 12	
Work in Mississippi.—			
Salary and Expenses of W. G. Parks.....		35 55	
" " " " S. W. Brown.....		225 76	
Total Disbursements for Schools.....			\$135,511 85
Amount forward.....			\$334,293 48

Amount brought forward.....			\$334,293 48
GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS.			
Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., Field Sec., Salary.....	\$4,000 00		
Traveling and Incidental Expenses.....	281 64		
Rev. M. MacVicar, LL D., Supt. Ed'n, Salary.....	3,000 00		
Traveling and Incidental Expenses.....	553 23		
Rev. N. B. Rairden, Supt. Missions, Salary.....	2,000 00		
Traveling and Incidental Expenses... ..	808 02		
			\$10,642 29
DISTRICT SECRETARIES.			
Rev. F. T. Hazlewood, D.D., Salary.....	2,000 00		
Expenses of District.....	933 70		
Rev. Dwight Spencer, D.D., Salary.....	1,200 00		
Expenses of District.....	393 52		
Rev. E. B. Palmer, D.D., Salary.....	2,000 00		
Expenses of District.....	889 94		
Rev. E. H. E. Jameson, D.D., Salary.....	1,700 00		
Expenses of District.....	763 78		
Rev. O. A. Williams, D.D., Salary.....	1,800 00		
Expenses of District.....	553 33		
Rev. Judson B. Thomas, Salary.....	2,000 00		
Expenses of District.....	1,199 28		
Rev. C. A. Woody, Salary.....	1,375 00		
Expenses of District.....	572 55		
Rev. W. E. Powell, Salary.....	1,200 00		
Expenses of District.....	169 71		
Rev. S. C. Fulmer, Salary.....	1,200 00		
Expenses of District.....	630 08		
Rev. D. D. Proper, Salary.....	1,400 00		
Expenses of District.....	859 68		
Mrs. E. G. Wheeler, Salary.....	600 00		
Expenses of District.....	304 16		
Mrs. Wm. Scott, Salary.....	773 34		
Expenses of District.....	559 37		
		\$25,077 44	
SECRETARY'S AND TREASURER'S DEPARTMENTS.			
Rev. T. J. Morgan, LL D., Cor. Sec., Salary.....	4,000 00		
Expenses.....	404 40		
Frank R. Hathaway, Treasurer, Salary.....	2,604 15		
Expenses.....	28 54		
Assistant Secretary and Clerks.....	8,512 59		
		15,549 68	
PUBLICATION ACCOUNT.			
Home Mission Monthly.....	4,382 31		
Home Mission Echoes.....	584 75		
		4,967 06	
EXPENSE ACCOUNT.			
Rent.....	3,150 00		
Printing and Stationery.....	2,666 23		
Postage.....	763 13		
Anniversary Expenses.....	946 12		
Legal Expenses.....	15 00		
Incidental Expenses.....	1,524 84		
Annual Report	771 70		
Interest.....	1,878 80		
Insurance.....	6 51		
Internal Revenue	125 58		
Exchange.....	99 59		
Audit	400 00	12,347 50	
		\$57,941 68	
Less amount paid by Church Edifice Funds.....		6,906 76	51,034 92
Amount forward.....			\$395,970 69

Amount brought forward.....			\$395,970 69
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Annuities.....			\$18,692 66
Endowments.....		\$1,131 24	
Real Estate.....		877 65	
James M. Whitehead.....		600 00	2,608 89
Total Disbursements.....			\$417,272 24
Cash in the Treasury, April 1, 1900, Designated.....			9,643 48
			\$426,915 72
EMERGENCY FUND.			
Amount reported last year.....		\$35,000 00	
Receipts—Interest and Dividends.....		1,126 62	
			36,126 62
Transferred to General Fund.....			36,126 62

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR CHURCH EDIFICE WORK.		
CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT FUND: RECEIPTS.		
Contributions for the Year.....	\$22,601 50	
Legacies.....	2,189 00	
Interest from Investments.....	8,083 32	
Income from Real Estate.....	1,287 35	
From Annuity Funds, released by the death of donors.....	3,800 00	\$37,961 17
Gifts returned by Churches:		
Glencoe, Minn.....	\$300 00	
Alexandria, Minn.....	200 00	
Steele, N. D.....	163 47	
Fort Dodge, Iowa.....	300 00	963 47
Total Amount Received.....		\$38,924 64
Balance, April 1, 1899.....		9,470 63
		\$48,395 27
CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT FUND: DISBURSEMENTS.		
Gifts to the following Churches:		
Alaska, Skagway.....	\$1,000 00	
California, Fresno, 1st Church.....	1,000 00	
* " Long Beach, 1st Church.....	750 00	
Colorado, Centerview.....	200 00	
" Colorado Springs, Mt. Olivet Church.....	50 00	
" Denver, Calvary Church.....	50 00	
* " Mancos.....	250 00	
* " Montrose.....	200 00	
Illinois, Chicago, Englewood on the Hill, Church.....	700 00	
" " Galilee, Church.....	700 00	
" " South Chicago, Church.....	250 00	
" " Golconda, Church....	100 00	
Iowa, Carroll, Church.....	12 51	
" Marble Rock, Church.....	200 00	
" Grand River, Church.....	50 00	
" Woodbine, Church.....	200 00	
Indian Territory, Claremore, Church.....	200 00	
" " Paul's Valley, Church.....	200 00	
" " Tamaha.....	150 00	
* " " Wagoner, Church.....	100 00	
Kansas, Cherokee, Colored Church.....	75 00	
" Fall River, Church.....	50 00	
" Garden City, Colored Church.....	150 00	
" Galena.....	100 00	
" Meade, 1st Church.....	50 00	
* " Winfield, 2d Colored Church.....	150 00	
Michigan, Hale Church.....	25 00	
" Bay City.....	60 70	
*Minnesota, Aitkin, Swede Church.....	200 00	
" Bemidji.....	350 00	
" Hutchinson, German Church.....	300 00	
" Lakefield.....	150 00	
" Osage, 1st Church.....	100 00	
" Tyler, Danish and Norwegian Church.....	100 00	
" Westbrook, Danish and Norwegian Church.....	150 00	
*Missouri, Kansas City, Kutley Mission.....	100 00	
Montana, Bozeman.....	20 13	
New Hampshire, Concord, Swede Church.....	25 00	
Amount forward.....	\$8,527 34	

*Also a Loan from the Loan Fund.

CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT FUND : DISBURSEMENTS.—Continued.		
Amount brought forward.....	\$8,527 34	
New Jersey, Arlington, Swede Church.....	100 00	
New York, Brooklyn, ad Swede Church.....	50 00	
" Buffalo, German Church.....	500 00	
*Nebraska, Stratton, 1st Church.....	86 50	
Nevada, Reno.....	250 00	
North Dakota, Acton, Church....	100 00	
" " Bloomfield, German Church.....	200 00	
" " Casselman, 1st German Church.....	200 00	
Ohio, Canton, German Church.....	300 00	
Oklahoma, Chapel for Arapahoe Indians.....	457 50	
*Oregon, Arlington.....	150 00	
" Corvallis.....	100 00	
" Portland, ad Church.....	500 00	
Utah, Salt Lake City, 1st Church.....	500 00	
Virginia, Lexington, 1st Church.....	100 00	
Washington, Aberdeen.....	300 00	
" Fall City.....	200 00	
" Oakesdale.....	300 00	
" Olympia.....	200 00	
* " Spokane, 1st Church..	3,385 55	
Wisconsin, Baldwin, Danish and Norwegian Church.....	400 00	
" Bangor.....	100 00	
" Garfield.....	100 00	
" Tomah.....	200 00	
" Waupaca.....	275 00	
Cuba, Santiago.....	11,490 04	
Mexico Nuevo Laredo.....	1,200 00	
Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, Purchase of land for a church building...	1,212 12	
Total Amount of Gifts.....		\$31,484 05
Expenses.—		
Chapel Day.....	\$ 443 78	
Administration.....	4,187 96	\$4,631 74
Total Disbursements.....		36,115 79
†Balance in Treasury April 1, 1900.....		12,279 48
		\$48,395 27

* Also a Loan from the Loan Fund.

† The major portion of this amount is already designated, or appropriated.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR CHURCH EDIFICE WORK.—Continued.

CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND: RECEIPTS.		
Contributions.....	\$1,488 02	
Loans Repaid.....	10,333 21	
Interest received.....	6,634 86	
	<hr/>	\$18,456 09
Balance April 1, 1899.....		2,999 27
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		\$21,455 36
CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND: DISBURSEMENTS.		
Loans to the following Churches:		
California, Long Beach, 1st Church.....	\$500 00	
* " Los Angeles, Orchard Ave. Church.....	3,000 00	
*Colorado, Mancos.....	250 00	
* " Montrose.....	200 00	
*Indian Territory, Wagoner.....	100 00	
*Kansas, Winfield, Colored Church.....	150 00	
*Minnesota, Aitkin, Swede Church.....	300 00	
Missouri, Carthage.....	200 00	
* " Kansas City, Kutley Mission.....	100 00	
*Nebraska, Stratton.....	100 00	
*Oregon, Arlington.....	350 00	
South Carolina, Florence.....	300 00	
South Dakota, Lead, 1st Church.....	1,000 00	
" " Pierre.....	800 00	
" " Rapid City.....	375 00	
*Washington, Spokane, 1st Church.....	4,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$11,725 00
Total Amount of Loans.....		
Insurance of Sundry Churches.....		\$611 77
Amount Paid Annuitants.....	\$79 33	
Expenses.—		
Interest.....	597 00	
Administration.....	4,147 73	\$4,824 06
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Total Disbursements.....		\$17,160 83
Balance in the Treasury, April 1, 1900.....		\$4,294 53
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		\$21,455 36

*Also a Donation from the Benevolent Fund.

INVESTED FUNDS OF THE SOCIETY.

I. PERMANENT TRUST FUNDS.

The Society has received the following funds, which it holds in trust, using only the income:

FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.

Allen, Jonas	100 00	Kendall, Horace	1,000 00
Ambler, J. V.	15,000 00	Lees, Wm. B.	950 00
Anderson, David	1,000 00	Linch, Jarret	12,451 00
Axtell, Mrs. H. E.	311 11	Little, Nathan	3,874 68
Bailey, David	1,055 00	Logan, John	400 00
Barker, Wm. E.	100 00	Merrick Austin	53,069 30
Barney, Nancy Potter, Memorial	5,000 00	Norcross, S. W.	500 00
Blain, John	1,000 00	Noyes, Mary	1,000 00
Bleecker, G. N.	17,000 00	Nugent, George	1,000 00
Brimhall, Parmelia	1,572 99	Pease, Nancy P.	1,000 00
Brockett, E. J.	1,000 00	Pillsbury, Geo. A.	4,000 00
Butler, Chas. S.	1,000 00	Roberts, Elizabeth	3,000 00
Capen, Barnabas D. ...	10,000 00	Rockwell, Rufus	461 80
Carleton, Younglove ...	830 21	Rogers, Elizabeth W. ..	500 00
Cheever, Wm.	7,657 82	Rogers, Arna	500 00
Corry, Aaron	1,480 81	Russell, P. R.	2,700 00
Darling, Henry	1,000 00	Ruth, Mordecai T.	5,242 68
Davis, Isaac	10,100 00	Selleck, Levi	1,000 00
Drown, Mary Newell ..	600 00	Sherman, George J.	1,000 00
Dunbar, Robert	500 00	Smith, Alice, Memorial.	5 00
Eldridge, Lyman	75 00	Stevens, Amos	55 70
Fay, Mrs. L. R. B.	4,189 61	Swaim, Mary A. N. ...	9,400 00
Fisk, Theron	2,500 00	Thorn, Mrs. John, Memorial	5,000 00
Flint, Harriet N.	5,000 00	Tripp, Susan	500 00
Frazer Fund	3,500 00	Van Husan, C., Memorial	2,000 00
Frisbe, Sarah M.	1,000 00	Wickens, George	500 00
Giddings, Mrs. Lovina .	600 00	Woods, John	1,922 19
Glover, Henry R.	5,000 00	Woolverton, Geo. A. ...	5,000 00
Ham, Wm.	100 00	† ——— ———	2,000 00
Howard, Harry H.	100 00		
Hoyt, Joseph B.	25,000 00		
John, Lizzie J., Memorial	1,000 00		
Kelly, Chloe M.	500 00		
			\$244,904 90

FOR SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION.

Bostwick, J. A.	\$6,000 00	Atlanta Bap. College..	5 00
Bradford, S. S.	1,000 00	Cook, Josiah W. ...	19,893 35
Colby, Emily S.	200 00	Ripley, Mrs. A. O.	1,000 00
Marston, S. W.	1,000 00	Benedict College	120,179 33
Endowment of Schools, viz.:		Indian University	2,126 02

Jackson College	476 25	Richmond. Theo. Sem.:	
Roger Williams Univ.:		Hoyt. Jos. B.	25,000 00
Endowment	3,850 96	Rockefeller, John D.	25,000 00
Champney, Sarah H.	500 00	Union Professorship	7,238 41
† ———	530 00	Colby, Emily S. ...	500 00
Shaw University:		Reed, Susan C.	1,000 00
Endowment	26,588 02	Smith, S. F.	1,000 00
Buss, Harriet M. ..	350 00	Tolman, Lydia S. ..	1,400 00
Leonard, Judson W.	5,000 00	Waterhouse, C. W..	1,000 00
Spelman Seminary:		Wayland Seminary:	
Endowment	231 00	General Endowment.	19,613 27
Monroe, Mary E. ..	5,000 00	Gray, M. M.	2,000 00
† ———	800 00	Wayland, Eliz'th A..	150 00
Virginia Union Univ.:		† ———	1,500 00
General Endowment.			
Hedstrom Fund ...	1,000 00		\$284,352 11
Library Fund	3,220 50		

FOR MISCELLANEOUS PURPOSES.

Smart, John	\$1,000 00	
Whiting, Martha	1,000 00	\$2,000 00
Total of Permanent Trust Funds		\$531,257 01

Amount reported last year\$458,193 84

Increase as follows:

Endowment of Atlanta Baptist College.	\$2,744 60
" " Benedict College	\$62,699 45
" " Indian University	500 00
" " Roger Williams Univ..	330 00
" " Shaw University	1,000 00
" " Spelman Seminary ...	34 50
" " Virginia Union Univ...	1,000 00
" " Wayland Seminary ...	572 94
Drown, Mary Newell	600 00
Linch, Jarret	1,803 56
Merrick, Austin	3,717 42
Pillsbury, George A.	4,000 00
Smith, Alice	5 00
Stevens, Amos	55 70

\$79,063 17

Decrease, by amount transferred to
Church Edifice Benevolent Trust Fund 6,000 00 \$73,063 17

" " 1000 \$5.

The above funds are invested as follows:

Mortgages on real estate in New York and Brooklyn	\$354,354 65
Mortgages elsewhere	44,500 00
Railroad bonds	56,280 00
Other bonds	21,000 00
Railroad bonds and stock, as donated	8,300 00
Bank and other Stock and Bonds as donated.....	8,525 00
Real Estate	11,210 33
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	\$504,169 98
Cash in Treasury awaiting investment.....	15,087 03
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	\$519,257 01
Profit and Loss	12,000 00
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	\$531,257 01

II.—ANNUITY FUNDS.

Donations upon which annuities are paid during life, either to the donor, or to such person or object as the donor may designate.

Amount reported April 1, 1899	\$350,970 75
Added during the year	94,083 04
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	\$445,053 79

Transferred to General Fund during the year, by death of annuitants	\$13,600 00
Transferred to Permanent Trust Fund during the year by death of annuitants	1,500 00
Transferred to Church Edifice Gift Fund during the year, by death of annuitants	3,800 00
Transferred to Conditional Funds	3,715 00
Returned to donor	19 40
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	\$22,634 40
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Total fund, April 1, 1900	\$422,419 39
Net increase	71,448 64

These funds are invested as follows, viz.:

Mortgages on real estate in New York City and

Brooklyn	\$20,900 00
Mortgages on real estate elsewhere	225,439 29
Real Estate	50,978 62
Stocks, bonds and debentures	66,933 44
Bank and other stock as donated	7,913 75
Bonds, as donated	5,550 00
Suspense Account	11,212 21
Cash in depositories	1,186 64
Cash in treasury awaiting investment	32,305 44
	<hr/> \$422,419 39

The following list gives the amounts upon which the Society is now paying annuities:

Allen, Jonathan L.	\$3,317 10	Dyer, Mrs. Lucy D.	1,000 00
Allen, Laura M.	1,000 00	Edwards, P. M.	1,000 00
Ambler, Mrs. A. T. ...	13,900 00	Evans, Evan W.	800 00
Andrews, Mrs. Perses ..	500 00	Erwin, Mrs. Keziah ...	100 00
Arnold, Ann Elizabeth.	1,000 00	Fernald, Mrs. E. H. ..	2,500 00
Ashley, Miss L. M.	400 00	Ferry, Monroe	500 00
Barton, Mrs. Belinda ..	2,002 90	Fish, Mrs. Ada B.	3,000 00
Bell, Miss Minerva	500 00	Fish, R. D.	100 00
Blake, Mrs. Fannie R. .	1,000 00	Fiske, Miss Grace	1,000 00
Bidwell, Wm. L.	1,000 00	Fletcher, John	200 00
Bishop, Mrs. C. C.	28,500 00	Foster, Mrs. M. S.	5,000 00
Bliss, Mrs. John W. ...	1,500 00	Gates, Marcius A.	2,000 00
Brett, Mrs. Celia L. ...	1,700 00	Gould, Julia N.	250 00
Boardman, Mrs. M. O. .	500 00	Grow, Rev. W. B.	100 00
Boynton, Mrs. H. D. ..	486 10	Hale, David	5,000 00
Brown, Mrs. Lura K. ..	1,000 00	Haley, Mrs. A. M.	2,500 00
Brown, Mrs. Samuel N. .	1,000 00	Hall, Mrs. Ann E.	1,600 00
Capes, Jane	1,000 00	Hall, Mrs. Lucetta	400 00
Carr, Miss Ann Alila ..	500 00	Harbig, Mrs. Mary E. .	1,000 00
Carpenter, Harriet E. ..	8,000 00	Hardin, Mrs. Florence J.	100 00
Chamberlin, W. D.	1,000 00	Harris, Mrs. Mary D. .	2,000 00
Chapin, Anna B.	600 00	Hawkins, William	12,000 00
Cheney, Alfred	400 00	Henderson, Mrs. R.	1,000 00
Chilson, Gardner	26,666 66	Henrich, A.	2,000 00
Coolidge, Anna M. J. ..	1,000 00	Herrick, Mrs. M. B. ...	300 00
Crawford, Mrs. A. B. ..	40 00	Hitchcock, Titus L.	1,000 00
Crosby, Mrs. Sarah Ford	250 00	Hoff, Mary Augusta ...	2,000 00
Crowell, Mrs. M. E. ...	500 00	Homan, Miss Sarah A. .	1,274 73
Currier, Mary H.	500 00	Howe, William	5,000 00
Dakin, Mrs. Mary	730 00	Huff, Miss Elizabeth ...	500 00
Darrow, Mrs. H. E. ...	55 50	Huntley, William E. ...	9,000 00
Davis, Elv	7,200 00	Hurlin, William	1,000 00
Durban, Mrs. B. J.	1,500 00	Jones, Mrs. J. N.	2,500 00
Durfee, J. H.	2,000 00	Kelsay, Miss D. Eliza ..	100 00

Kingsley, C. W.	25,000 00	Topping, A. B.	450 79
Kingsbury Mary B.	400 00	Towne, Mary A.	1,200 00
Lane, Lizzie A.	550 00	Train, Mrs. C. W.	2,000 00
Larnill, Nancy Q.	83 47	Troyer, William	1,500 00
Lesure, L. A.	500 00	Wassell, Mrs. Mary B. .	2,000 00
Merrifield, Mrs. J. H. ..	100 00	Watts, Henry	1,000 00
Messenger, Harriet B. .	600 00	West, Mrs. N. K.	50 00
Millard, O. H.	1,000 00	White, David	1,000 00
Mitchell, Mrs. J. M. ...	200 00	White, Mrs. Ellen M. ..	500 00
Nichols, Charles H. ...	3,800 00	Willard, Mrs. S. A. ...	500 00
Nye, Mrs. J. E.	1,000 00	Willett, Miss H. S. ...	1,750 00
Onderdonk, Miss H. W. .	22,000 00	Williams, John	7,000 00
Parker, Miss Laura	200 00	Wolcott, Mrs. M. L. ...	100 00
Parmley, Miss M. E. ...	300 00	Woolsey, Mrs. Lucy T. .	400 00
Pettit, Mrs. Curtis	200 00	† —————	2,000 00
Pevear, Henry A.	12,500 00	† —————	8,000 00
Phillips, Mrs. Lydia B. .	200 00	† —————	1,000 00
Pickford, Mrs. A. M. ...	5,000 00	† —————	100 00
Pisor, Margaret	2,015 00	† —————	475 00
Pratt, William C.	500 00	† —————	2,000 00
Proctor, Joel	2,000 00	† —————	1,000 00
Pyne, Mrs. D. A.	1,000 00	† —————	5,500 00
Richardson, Mrs. H. V. .	5,000 00	† —————	253 13
Riggs, D. W.	2,500 00	† —————	7,000 00
Rigley, Mrs. Eliza	2,000 00	† —————	10,000 00
Robb, Joseph	500 00	† —————	2,000 00
Rogers, Alexander W. . .	4,000 00	† —————	500 00
Root, John A.	600 00	† —————	500 00
Savage, Eleazer	2,000 00	† —————	2,500 00
Seeley, J. V. K.	550 00	† —————	5,000 00
Shepardson, D.	1,000 00	† —————	3,500 00
Shepardson, Mrs. E. S. .	2,000 00	† —————	5,500 00
Shepardson, Mrs. Mary .	1,000 00	† —————	400 00
D.	1,000 00	† —————	1,000 00
Sheridan, Rev. William. .	1,000 00	† —————	6,000 00
Shoultz, Harriet C. ...	300 00	† —————	500 00
Silliman, Cornelia A. W. .	1,000 00	† —————	500 00
Summons, J. B.	2,571 64	† —————	1,000 00
Scribner, Mrs. Eliza M. .	300 00	† —————	5,000 00
*Skauts, Mrs. Eliza	1,500 00	† —————	1,000 00
Smith, Daniel	1,000 00	† —————	500 00
Smith, Mrs. J. L.	619 50	† —————	5,000 00
Spring, M. B.	3,000 00	† —————	1,800 00
Springsted, Mason	1,600 00	† —————	1,400 00
Stackpole, Bertha	500 00	† —————	300 00
Stoddard, D. H.	1,000 00	† —————	2,000 00
Sumner, Mrs. S. A. ...	500 00	† —————	884 00
Swan, Edward P.	5,860 00	† —————	2,000 00
Taft, Mrs. A. B.	1,600 00	† —————	250 00
Thompson, Eliza J.	2,000 00	† —————	2,000 00
Thompson, Miss J. E. ...	600 00	† —————	6,000 00
Thomson, Anne	500 00	† —————	1,600 00
Tirrell, Jesse	5,000 00	† —————	232 50

III.—CONDITIONAL FUNDS.

Donations held temporarily, in trust, subject to the conditions imposed by the donors.

Amount transferred from Annuity Funds	\$3,715 00	
Added during the year	5,000 00	
Total fund, April 1, 1900		\$8,715 00
Cash in Treasury, awaiting investment		\$8,715 00
The following is a list of the contributions to these funds.		
† ——— ———	\$1,000 00	† ——— ———
† ——— ———	2,715 00	5,000 00

* Two-thirds of this amount is held in trust, to be equally divided between the American Baptist Missionary Union and the American and Foreign Bible Society.
† Donors who do not wish their names published.

IV.—CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT TRUST FUND.

Amount reported last year		\$153,735 66
Added during the year by legacy	\$3,717 42	
Transferred from Permanent Trust Fund	6,000 00	
		9,717 42
Total		\$163,453 08
Net increase		9,717 42
Invested as follows, viz.:		
Mortgages on real estate in New York and Brook-		
lyn	73,000 00	
Mortgages elsewhere	4,250 00	
Real Estate	37,585 36	
Stocks, bonds and debentures	44,950 00	
	\$159,785 36	
Cash in Treasury, awaiting investment	2,876 03	
	\$162,661 39	
Deficiency account	791 69	
		\$163,453 08

V.—CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND.

Amount of outstanding loans.	\$152,078 73	
Cash in treasury	4,294 53	
Total fund.	\$156,373 26	
Amount reported last year	\$153,573 11	
Receipts, interest and contributions.	8,122 00	
Total.	\$156,373 26	
Disbursements—Expense of administration	\$4,147 73	
Interest	597 00	
Annuities	79 33	5,322 73
Charged to Profit and Loss.		498 67
Total fund, April 1, 1900.		\$156,373 26
Net increase.		2,800 15

VI.—MISCELLANEOUS.

For General Purposes.

Stocks	\$4,145 88
Bonds	1,000 00
Mortgages	15,303 50
Real Estate	12,164 04
	\$32,613 42

For Church Edifice Work.

Railroad Bonds	\$4,000 00
Stocks	5,000 00
Real Estate	40,500 00
	\$49,500 00

FRANK R. HATHAWAY, *Treasurer.*

111 Fifth Avenue, New York, March 31, 1900.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We have the honor to report that the books, accounts and vouchers of the Society have been audited monthly during the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 1900, by Theodore Pentlarge, Certified Public Accountant, from whom we have the following Certificate which we approve,

LEONARD F. REQUA.
EDGAR L. MARSTON.

Auditors.

NEW YORK,
May 1, 1900.

NEW YORK CITY, 220 Broadway, March 31, 1900.

I have made a monthly audit of the books, accounts and vouchers of the American Baptist Home Mission Society during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1900, and I hereby certify that the foregoing Report of the Treasurer is true and in accordance with the books; that the monies received by the Society have been applied as designated by the donors and disbursed in accordance with appropriations made by the Executive Board. I further certify that the securities, mortgages and other investments mentioned in the foregoing Report are held by the Society, and that at the close of the fiscal year the amounts named in the foregoing Report were to the credit of the Society in its several Banks of deposit.

TH. PENTLARGE,

Certified Public Accountant

REAL ESTATE.

In addition to the above, the Society holds, for the purposes of its Educational and Missionary work, the following properties:

These properties are worth much more than they cost the Society. The following values are estimated by the Secretary's Department:

I.—SCHOOL PROPERTIES.

Atlanta College, Atlanta, Ga.	Estimated Value,	\$75,000 00
Atoka Academy, Atoka, I. T.	" "	8,755 00
Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.	" "	76,000 00
Bishop College, Marshall, Texas.	" "	100,000 00
Florida Institute, Live Oak, Fla.	" "	11,170 00
*Florida Baptist Academy, Jacksonville, Fla.	" "	840 00
Indian University, Bacone, I. T.	" "	30,000 00
Jackson College, Jackson, Miss.	" "	35,000 00
Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.	" "	130,000 00
Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.	" "	175,000 00
Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.	" "	230,000 00

*Society's Equity.

II.—MISSION PROPERTIES.

Anadarko, Okla. Ter.	Estimated Value,	\$1,800 00
Elk Creek, Okla. Ter.	" "	2,500 00
City of Mexico, Mex.	" "	26,000 00
Fort Sill, Okla. Ter.	" "	2,500 00
New Laredo, Mex.	" "	1,800 00
Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico,	" "	1,400 00
Rainy Mountain, Okla. Ter.	" "	2,500 00
San Francisco, Cal.	" "	22,000 00
Santiago, Cuba.	" "	15,000 00
Skagway, Alaska.	" "	3,000 00
Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.	" "	5,000 00
Watonga, Okla. Ter.	" "	800 00

LEGACIES

RECEIVED FROM APRIL 1, 1899, to MARCH 31, 1900.

MAINE.

Vassalboro.—Estate of Abigail White

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Newport.—Estate of Lurenda Reddington

Swanee.—Estate of John A. Hamblett

VERMONT.

Burlington.—Estate of George W. Arms

Fairfax.—Estate of D. Rowley, Int.

Fairfax.—Estate of J. M. Hotchkiss

Windsor.—Estate of J. P. Skinner

MASSACHUSETTS.

Agawam.—Estate of Mary Ann Smith

Boston.—Estate of John Woods

Cambridge.—Estate of Coomer Mason

Cambridgeport.—Estate of Josiah W. Cook I,

Chicopee.—Estate of Hannah Day

Danversport.—Estate of Benj. Porter

Gardner.—Estate of Susanna Stone

Newburyport.—Estate of Mary Elwell

Quincy.—Estate of Mary M. Jones I,

Southbridge.—Estate of John Edwards

Still River.—Estate of William B. Willard

Wakefield.—Estate of Unice Hill

Whitman.—Estate of Lucinda A. Fullerton I.

Woburn.—Estate of Peter Fiske

RHODE ISLAND.

<i>Newport.</i> —Estate of Dorothy I. French	50 00
<i>Providence.</i> —Estate of H. Jackson, D.D.	18 75
<i>Providence.</i> —Estate of Silas A. Sweet'	486 00
<i>Providence.</i> —Estate of Hannah C. E. Read	500 00

CONNECTICUT.

<i>Groton.</i> —Estate of Ebenezer Morgan, for C. E. F.	1,000 00
<i>Hartford.</i> —Estate of Ebenezer Roberts	2 94
<i>Putnam.</i> —Estate of James Barrett	44 44
<i>Putnam.</i> —Estate of Mary L. Gates	79 76
<i>Preston.</i> —Estate of Anna Barnes	445 32
<i>Quaker Hill.</i> —Estate of Polly Browning, per Second Water- ford Church, Int.	12 00

NEW YORK.

<i>Binghamton.</i> —Estate of Eliza T. Martin	576 00
<i>Brooklyn.</i> —Estate of Joseph Wild	2,338 00
<i>Brooklyn.</i> —Estate of Mary J. Clark	1,000 00
<i>Cortland.</i> —Estate of Abram Letz	1,000 00
<i>Friendship.</i> —Estate of Fanny Amanda Bulkin	100 00
<i>Friendship.</i> —Estate of Asher W. Miner, for C. E. F.	1,000 00
<i>Hudson.</i> —Estate of Jerusha Van Deusen	1,207 23
<i>Hudson.</i> —Estate of Estelle Van Deusen	81 93
<i>Manchester.</i> —Estate of Polly Mitchell	20 00
<i>Marion.</i> —Estate of Ezra T. Phelps	68 47
<i>New York City.</i> —Estate of Charles L. Colby	10,000 00
<i>Stillwater.</i> —Estate of Lymann Smith	100 00
<i>Tarrytown.</i> —Estate of Mary Bell	250 00
<i>Troy.</i> —Estate of Susannah K. Hoyt	500 00
<i>Utica.</i> —Estate of Mrs. Kenyon	50 00

NEW JERSEY.

<i>Burlington.</i> —Estate of Anne S. Price, Int.	75 00
<i>Bridgeton.</i> —Estate of Narcissa B. Sleeper	10 35
<i>Bridgeton.</i> —Estate of James H. Flanagan	50 00
<i>Keyport.</i> —Seabrook Estate, Int.	16 67

PENNSYLVANIA.

<i>Peters Creek.</i> —Estate of Ann S. Benson	44 50
<i>Pittsburg.</i> —Estate of Mary O. Evans	475 00

WEST VIRGINIA.

<i>Petroleum.</i> —Estate of Sarah Carder	28 34
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OHIO.

<i>Colebrook.</i> —Estate of Matilda Treat	3 30
<i>Newark.</i> —Estate of Susan T. Allyn	2,200 00

SOUTH DAKOTA.

<i>Dell Rapids.</i> —Estate of Jens. C. Nasby	50 00
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MICHIGAN.

<i>Albion.</i> —Estate of Edward Rice	450 00
<i>Chelsea.</i> —Estate of Nancy M. Conklin	528 13
<i>Saline.</i> —Estate of Martha Congdon	50 00

ILLINOIS.

<i>Dundee.</i> —Estate of Betsy Clark	10 00
<i>Stillman Valley.</i> —Estate of Peter Tilton	1,229 19
<i>Stillman Valley.</i> —Estate of Jerusha Tilton, for F. F.	1,248 75

WISCONSIN.

<i>Janesville.</i> —Estate of James B. Crosby	1,438 55
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MINNESOTA.

<i>St. Paul.</i> —Estate of Caroline M. Drake	267 00
<i>St. Paul.</i> —Estate of Caroline M. Drake, for F. F.	300 00
<i>St. Paul.</i> —Estate of Caroline M. Drake, for C. E. F.	189 00

Total \$35,770 45

FOR ACCOUNT OF CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT TRUST
FUND.

<i>Holyoke, Mass.</i> —Estate of Austin Merrick	3,717 42
Total	<u>\$39,487 87</u>

FOR ACCOUNT OF PERMANENT TRUST FUND.

<i>Cambridgeport, Mass.</i> —Estate of Josiah W. Cook, for F.F....	1,805 00
<i>Holyoke, Mass.</i> —Estate of Austin Merrick	3,717 42
<i>Central Falls, R. I.</i> —Estate of Mrs. B. A. Benedict	58,400 24
<i>Morgantown, W. Va.</i> —Estate of Jarret Lynch	1,803 50
<i>Rutland, O.</i> —Estate of Amos Stevens	55 70
<i>Minneapolis, Minn.</i> —Estate of George A. Pillsbury	4,000 00
Grand total.....	<u>\$112,987 21</u>

MISSIONARY TABLE FOR 1899-1900.

NAME OF MISSION AND, If Different, No.	THE ISLE OF LADON										By Baptism or Letter of Experience.	Number of Church Members.	Churches Organized.	Church Editors.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Sunday-Schools Or- ganized.	Attendance at Sun- day-Schools.	Benevolent Contri- butions.
	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Out- stations Supplied.	Sermons Preached.	Prayer and Other Meetings Held.	Families or Persons Religiously Visited.	Bibles and Testa- ments Distributed.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	Added to Church.										
MAINE																		
Paul N. Cayer	58	1	134	58	213	17	1000	1	88	.....	.....	1	.....	70	\$34.35			
NEW HAMPSHIRE																		
George C. Brién	52	7	127	48	540	39	225	4	20	.....	.....	2	.....	46	57.01			
John Barr	44	7	161	50	232	1	681	2	5	.....	.....	2	.....	40	420.72			
Victor Sordell	43	7	115	102	267	4	25	4	11	.....	.....	1	.....	20	124.80			
VERMONT																		
Amel B. B. Linn	52	1	108	36	580	50	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
MASSACHUSETTS																		
F. J. Hazlewood, D.D.	52	.....	47	80	446	84	9200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. F. Hennet	52	.....	153	58	281	28	4200	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arthur St. James	39	4	140	147	107	75	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Joseph Lager	52	8	137	47	687	54	3500	4	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
F. A. Petron	52	.....	166	134	6000	78	3500	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gideon Aubin	52	.....	85	44	789	90	5000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John C. Smith	52	.....	71	42	160	93	2100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. C. San	30	.....	26	26	150	16	2277	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Isaac La Fleur	17	.....	71	42	302	103	2031	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Isaac La Fleur	35	2	77	44	225	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
B. LeClair	9	.....	13	12	214	3	1366	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Olivia Brouillette	13	.....	44	17	852	14	1490	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
French, Marlboro	38	.....	44	48	790	40	2460	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
French, Lawrence	44	.....	92	127	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

MISSIONARY TABLE.

NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELDS OF LABOR	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Out- stations supplied.	Sermons Preached.	Prayer and Other Meetings Held.	Families or Persons Religiously Visited.	Bibles and Testa- ments Distributed.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	By Baptism.	Added to Church or Experience.	Number of Church Members.	Church Edifices Erected.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Sunday Schools Or- ganized.	Attendance at Sun- day Schools.	BENEVOLENT CONTRI- BUTIONS.
G. W. Stuart.	South Side Mission, Buffalo	13	1	26	23	103	95	1000	2	10	10	1	1	1	1	131
J. C. Taylor.	Dearborn St. Ch., Buffalo	13	1	26	23	103	95	1000	2	10	10	1	1	1	1	131
J. S. Kneeland	Cazenovia Ch., Buffalo	3	2	38	16	103	103	1000	2	3	55	1	1	1	1	100
John Kraft.	Germans, Holland.	30	3	180	51	383	383	1300	0	3	61	1	1	1	1	60
J. H. Rexroth.	Germans, Batavia	16	3	16	16	36	36	1600	0	4	20	1	1	1	1	60
Joseph Antonowaki.	Poles, Buffalo	52	1	104	106	844	36	1600	0	4	24	1	1	1	1	76
Angelo Peruzzi.	Italians, Buffalo	52	1	114	126	360	40	1600	0	4	38	1	1	1	1	42
Mrs. Angelina May	Italians, Buffalo	52	1	114	126	360	40	1600	0	4	38	1	1	1	1	42
Nelson Hedeen.	Second Swede Ch., Brooklyn	52	1	110	124	285	75	290	5	9	57	1	1	1	1	76
J. W. Hjertstrom	Swedes, Jamestown	34	1	95	74	310	310	290	4	9	101	1	1	1	1	42
Miss J. E. Magnuson.	Italian Mission of Jackson Me- morial Church, New York City	48	1	44	58	178	178	178	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17
Yoshitaki Hiron.	Japanese, Brooklyn	48	1	44	58	178	178	178	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17
James Buchanan	Superintendent Chinese Mission, New York City	28	1	18	17	17	17	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17
Peng Yust Mow	Passor Chinese Mission, New York City	48	1	175	22	3017	7	175	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	39
Lee Dot	Assistant Chinese Mission, New York City	17	1	175	22	3017	7	175	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	39
Tong Gow	Assistant Chinese Mission, New York City	39	1	175	22	3017	7	175	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	39
Mrs. H. H. Sweetser.	Assistant Chinese Mission, New York City	9	1	175	22	3017	7	175	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	39
Mr. Charles Walter.	Superintendent Chinese Mission, New York City	26	1	175	22	3017	7	175	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	39
NEW JERSEY.																
George A. Schube.	General Superintendent of Ger- man Missions	53	1	104	48	104	104	104	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	104
H. C. Baum.	Germans, Pilgrim Church, Jersey City	52	1	200	81	446	31	21600	6	2	70	1	1	1	1	390
Frederick Ksott.	Germans, First Church, Hoboken	50	1	160	78	605	31	21600	6	2	70	1	1	1	1	390
Carl H. Schmidt.	Germans, Pilsener	50	1	160	78	605	31	21600	6	2	70	1	1	1	1	390
William Papenhause.	Germans, Town of Union	50	1	160	78	605	31	21600	6	2	70	1	1	1	1	390

L. M. Howell.	54	121	155	308	1090	7	3	36	60	83	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20</
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*Miss J. B. Burgess Hartshorn Men'l Coll., Richmond.
*Mrs. R. K. Jones Harishorn Men'l Coll., Richmond.

WEST VIRGINIA.

W. E. Powell.....	District Secretary, Kanawha Dis- trict.....
Amos Robinson.....	Elkins.....
W. J. Eddy.....	Fairmount.....
A. S. Kelley.....	Glenville and vicinity.....
W. H. Savage.....	Weston.....
J. L. McCutcheon.....	Morgantown.....
M. A. Kelley.....	Virginia Ave. Ch., Charlestown....
J. D. Timmons.....	Davis, Huling, and vicinity.....
J. S. Jewell.....	Moundsville.....
Arthur Hank.....	Kenova.....
D. A. Ramey.....	Welch and vicinity.....

KENTUCKY.

P. H. Kennedy.....	General Missionary, Colored.....
R. B. Butler.....	District Missionary, Colored.....
*C. L. Purce, Pres.....	State University, Louisville.....
*W. H. Willis.....	State University, Louisville.....
*Mrs. E. F. Kennedy.....	State University, Louisville.....
*E. M. C. Inge.....	State University, Louisville.....
*Mrs. M. F. Steward....	State University, Louisville.....
*W. P. Todd.....	State University, Louisville.....
*Miss L. M. Seeley.....	State University, Louisville.....

TENNESSEE.

T. J. Searcy.....	Financial Agent.....
*Joshua Leavister, Prin. . .	Bible and Normal Inst., Memphis..
*N. H. Pius	Bible and Normal Inst., Memphis..
*A. T. Sowerby, Pres. . .	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville..
*Alfred Owen, D.D.	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville..
*J. W. Johnson.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville..
*A. M. Haley.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville..
*Mrs. Lenora Huttman . .	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville..
*Mrs. M. C. Kenney.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville..
*Miss Adele Parrott.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville..
*Miss May Hutton.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville..
*Miss D. E. Williams....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville..
*Miss B. L. Pettigrew....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville..

*** Teachers.**

† No report received.

SOUTH CAROLINA.									
M. W. Gilbert.....	30	106	1	1	100	12			704 28
J. W. Boyken.....	52	147	38		72				320 64
J. R. Wilson.....	17	50							26 13
*A. C. O. born, D. D., Pres.	52	13	8						
*W. B. Kelsey.....	35	4	4						
*John R. Wilson.....	35	16	4						
*Mrs. J. R. Armstrong..	35								
*Miss H. A. Batson.....	35		31						
*Mrs. E. H. Osborn.....	35								
*F. T. Knowles.....	35	6	3						
*William Coleman.....	9		2						
*R. W. Jackson.....	26								
*Miss A. M. Pierson....	35								
*H. A. Bleach.....	35	5	5	29					
*Miss M. V. Ashton.....	35				12				
*F. Hamlin.....	26	4	12						
*Mrs. R. C. Mather, Prin	35				4	1450			
*Miss S. E. Owen.....	35		2	57	6				
*Miss L. R. Kinsman....	35		21	7	15				
Miss C. R. Harvey.....	26		5	50	5				
*Mrs. M. C. Barber.....	17		3						
GEORGIA.									
E. P. Johnson.....	52	156	18						36 06
G. A. Goodwin.....	44	80							
J. M. Jones.....	7	7							
W. J. White, D. D.....	52	67	4						
D. D. Crawford.....	52	117							
L. P. Pinckney.....	†								
*N. W. Curtright, Prin..	52		1	22		5520			
*Miss G. L. Palmer.....	35			45		600			
*Miss L. A. Lee.....	35			28		654			
*Miss B. B. Lyons.....	35			35		240			
*J. H. Brown, Prin.....	52			47		300			
*Miss V. C. Jackson....	35		2	27					
*Miss M. A. Williams....	26			20		4			
*Miss D. M. Richardson.	9		3	25	10				
*Miss M. J. Durham.....	4		7	9					
*Mrs. M. G. Bailey.....	26			25					
*M. W. Reddick, Prin... Americus Institute.....	26	6	13						
*Mrs. H. A. Reddick... Americus Institute.....	26		4						
*Miss L. E. Washington. Americus Institute.....	35								
*Miss H. E. Giles, Pres. Spelman Seminary, Atlanta.....	52								

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* Teachers.

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MAINE																
Paul N. Cayer	French, Waterville.	59	104	54	104	445	17	1000	1	...	88	70
NEW HAMPSHIRE																
George G. Brien	French, Nashua.	59	127	48	127	540	36	225	4	...	20	46
John Hays	Swedish, Manchester.	44	161	102	161	232	1	688	9	5	271	46
Victor Sandell	Swedish, Concord.	43	115	102	115	287	4	25	4	11	49	40
VERMONT																
Arvid B. Reimann	Italian, Barre.	54	108	36	108	380	50	900
MASSACHUSETTS																
F. J. Hazen	District Secretary, New England.	5	471	80	471	9300	3	3
R. P. Bennett	French, Webster and vicinity.	58	153	88	153	445	84	1350
Arthur S. Jones	French, Worcester.	34	138	58	138	281	81	4200	14	1	168
Eusebe Lege	French, Worcester Association.	54	140	142	140	107	75
F. A. Perron	French, Gardiner and vicinity.	54	131	47	131	487	54	3900	4	2
Gideon Aubin	French, Fall River.	54	166	134	166	600	78	3500	5
John Smith	French, Salem and vicinity.	54	81	44	81	789	20	5000	6
H. C. Sen	French, New Bedford.	30	71	47	71	160	93	2100	2	2	31
Isaac Le Fleur	French, New Bedford.	17	26	30	26	150	16	1277
Isaac Le Fleur	French, Lowell.	35	74	44	74	192	102	9031	2	8	60
F. B. LeClair	French, Lowell.	35	74	44	74	192	102	9031	2	8	60
Olivia Brouillette	French, Marlboro and Hudson.	9	13	12	13	25	4	300
Olivia Brouillette	French, Marlboro.	13	14	12	14	214	3	1368	1
C. L. Chazron	French, Lawrence.	19	44	48	44	852	26	1416
C. F. Tanneau	Swedish, Cambridge.	44	92	127	92	720	40	2465	4	...	16
		52	157	132	157	452	...	6000	6	5	82

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No reports received.

NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELD OF LABOUR	CHURCHES AND STATIONS	SERMONS PREACHED	PRAYER AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED	BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS DISTRIBUTED	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED	BY BAPTISM	BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS	CHURCHES ORGANIZED	CHURCH OFFICES	NUMBER OF SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OR DAY-SCHOOLS	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY-SCHOOLS	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS
D. C. Jones	Richmond	22	30	13	35	1	1	1	1	25	1	1	1	73	\$10.00
A. A. Graham	Richmond	24	42	50	450	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
J. W. Kirby, D. D.	Financial Agent	50	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† G. F. Jennings, Dean	Richmond Theological Seminary	50	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† J. E. Jones, D. D.	Richmond Theological Seminary	50	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† D. N. Lester, D. D.	Richmond Theological Seminary	50	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† C. H. Corey, D. D.	Richmond Theological Seminary	50	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† George E. Reid, Pr n	Spiller Academy, Hampton	52	56	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Mrs. A. E. Read	Spiller Academy, Hampton	35	56	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Miss V. L. Guerrant	Spiller Academy, Hampton	35	56	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† George Rice Huvey	Spiller Academy, Hampton	35	56	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Dean	Wayland College, Richmond	50	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† G. M. P. King, D. D.	Wayland College, Richmond	17	6	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Joshua B. Simpson	Wayland College, Richmond	35	7	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† R. L. Dicks	Wayland College, Richmond	35	10	7	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† A. Lindenbarn	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† J. D. Coleman	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Miss M. D. Barker	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Miss M. H. Blackadar	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Miss M. D. Reese	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Miss L. L. Roit	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† W. Harco	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† L. Wade	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† H. Stokes	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† F. C. G. Bronson	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Edward Short	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Miss E. A. Church	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† G. W. Gordon	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Lyman B. Telfer, D. D.	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Pres	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Mrs. A. M. Coleman	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Miss B. J. Clark	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Miss F. M. Jewett	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Miss E. G. Green	Wayland College, Richmond	35	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Harshorn Mem'l Coll., Richmond	Harshorn Mem'l Coll., Richmond	52	1	1	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Harshorn Mem'l Coll., Richmond	Harshorn Mem'l Coll., Richmond	35	1	1	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Harshorn Mem'l Coll., Richmond	Harshorn Mem'l Coll., Richmond	35	1	1	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Harshorn Mem'l Coll., Richmond	Harshorn Mem'l Coll., Richmond	35	1	1	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
† Harshorn Mem'l Coll., Richmond	Harshorn Mem'l Coll., Richmond	35	1	1	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

* Teachers.

Names of Missionaries, Teachers, &c.	Fields of Labor	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Outstations Supplied.	Sermons Preached.	Prayer and Other Meetings Held.	Families or Persons Religiously Visited.	Bibles and Testaments Distributed.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	By Baptism.	Added to Church by Letter or Experience.	Numbers of Church Members.	Churches Organized.	Church Offices Occupied.	Number of Sunday-Schools.	Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools.	Unemployed Contributions.
*Miss B. C. Simmons.	Roger Williams Univ, Nashville	9															
*A. C. Dickerson.	Roger Williams Univ, Nashville	9															
*Miss M. J. Tweedle.	Roger Williams Univ, Nashville	26															
*Elizabeth Walden.	Roger Williams Univ, Nashville	26															
*William Harrison.	Roger Williams Univ, Nashville	26															
*Miss L. E. B. Jones.	Roger Williams Univ, Nashville	26															
*Miss L. F. Ames.	Roger Williams Univ, Nashville	26															
*Miss L. L. Root.	Roger Williams Univ, Nashville	26															
*Miss H. H. Smith.	Roger Williams Univ, Nashville	26															
*Mrs M. A. Gurnsey.	Roger Williams Univ, Nashville	26															
NORTH CAROLINA																	
J. A. Whitfield.	General Missionary, Colored, East	52		95	57	390	228	19460									699 42
C. C. Sumerville.	Dist Missionary, Colored, East	15		103	84	120	7	1000	8		4						529 50
W. T. H. Woodward.	Dist Missionary, Colored, East	15		17	8	30											36 5
A. B. Vincent.	Dist Missionary, Colored, Central	52		74	812	137	47	10000									685 82
P. F. Maloy.	Dist Missionary, Colored, West	52		130	87	157	34	6315	3	43							598 82
*C. F. Musgrave, LL.D.																	
Prs.																	
*N. F. Roberts.	Shaw University, Raleigh	35		2													
*N. C. Bruce.	Shaw University, Raleigh	35		9		65											
*M. D. Bowen.	Shaw University, Raleigh	35		3		157		700									
*W. Jewett.	Shaw University, Raleigh	35															
*A. W. Pegues.	Shaw University, Raleigh	35		15	12	61											
*Miss J. Brown.	Shaw University, Raleigh	35				83	1	475									
*Miss L. A. Haywood.	Shaw University, Raleigh	35															
*Miss Charlotte Murray.	Shaw University, Raleigh	35															
*Gilbert Tolman.	Shaw University, Raleigh	35															
*C. M. Farny.	Shaw University, Raleigh	35		5													
*Miss A. J. Williams.	Shaw University, Raleigh	26															
*C. S. Brown, Prin.	Waters Normal Inst, Winton	52		84	37	30		15790									
*Miss C. B. Person.	Waters Normal Inst, Winton	35															
*Miss L. D. Edmondson.	Waters Normal Inst, Winton	35															

* Teachers.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

M. W. Gilbert.....	General Missionary, Colored.....	30	106	1	1	100	12	714	98
J. W. Boyken.....	District Missionary, Colored.....	52	147	38	72			320	64
J. R. Wilson.....	District Missionary, Colored.....	17	50					26	13
*A. C. O-born, D.D., Pres.	Benedict College, Columbia.....	52	13	8					
*W. B. Kelsey.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	35	4	4					
*John R. Wilson.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	35	16	4					
*Mrs. J. R. Armatrong..	Benedict College, Columbia.....	35							
*Miss H. A. Eaton.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	35		31					
*Mrs. E. H. Osborn.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	35							
*F. T. Knowles.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	35	6	3					
*William Coleman.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	9		2					
*R. W. Jackson.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	26							
*Miss A. M. Pierson.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	35							
*H. A. Bleach.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	35	5	5	29				
*Miss M. V. Ashton.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	35				12			
*F. Hamlin.....	Benedict College, Columbia.....	26	4	12					
*Mrs. R. C. Mather, Prin	Mather School, Beaufort.....	35				4	1450		
*Miss S. F. Owen.....	Mather School, Beaufort.....	35		2	57	6	6		
*Miss L. R. Kinsman.....	Mather School, Beaufort.....	35		21	7	13			
Miss C. R. Harvey.....	Mather School, Beaufort.....	26		5	50	5			
*Mrs. M. C. Barber.....	Mather School, Beaufort.....	17		3					

GEORGIA.

E. P. Johnson.....	General Missionary, Colored.....	52	156	18				36	06
G. A. Goodwin.....	District Missionary, Colored.....	44	89						
J. M. Jones.....	District Missionary, Colored.....	7	7						
W. J. White, D.D.....	District Missionary, Colored.....	52	67	4					
D. D. Crawford.....	District Missionary, Colored.....	52	137						
L. P. Pinckney.....	District Missionary, Colored.....	†							
*N. W. Curtright, Prin..	Walker Baptist Institute, Augusta..	52		1	22		5520		
*Miss G. L. Palmer.....	Walker Baptist Institute, Augusta..	35			45		660		
*Miss L. A. Lee.....	Walker Baptist Institute, Augusta..	35			28		654		
*Miss B. B. Lyons.....	Walker Baptist Institute, Augusta..	35			35		240		
*J. H. Brown, Prin.....	Jeruel Academy, Athens.....	52			47		300		
*Miss V. C. Jackson.....	Jeruel Academy, Athens.....	35		2	27				
*Miss M. A. Williams.....	Jeruel Academy, Athens.....	26			20		4		
*Miss D. M. Richardson..	Jeruel Academy, Athens.....	9		3	25	10			
*Miss M. J. Durham.....	Jeruel Academy, Athens.....	4		7	9				
*Mrs. M. G. Bailey.....	Jeruel Academy, Athens.....	26			25				
M. W. Reddick, Prin...	Americus Institute.....	26	6	13					
*Mrs. H. A. Reddick.....	Americus Institute.....	26		4					
*Miss L. E. Washington..	Americus Institute.....	35							
*Miss H. E. Giles, Pres.	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta.....	52							

* Teachers.

† No report received.

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*Miss L. H. Upton	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta.	24															
*Mrs. E. M. Barrett	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss L. M. Grover	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss M. B. Peckham	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss K. C. McLeod	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss Ada Jackson	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss S. E. Mallory	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss K. I. Peterson	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss V. J. Packard	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss Eugene Shipley	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss C. H. Denslow	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss C. J. Smith	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss V. E. Thomas	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss V. J. Williams	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss V. H. Parsons	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss H. A. Howell	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss S. E. Nesbit	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss F. E. Leonard	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss C. B. Williams	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss E. W. Wagg	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss Susan Harsh	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*Miss L. L. Davis	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta	35															
*George Sale, Pres	Atlanta Baptist College	35															
*W. E. Holmes	Atlanta Baptist College	35															
*J. W. Hubert	Atlanta Baptist College	35															
*C. C. Smith	Atlanta Baptist College	35															
*John Hope	Atlanta Baptist College	35															
*Mrs. M. B. McCreary	Atlanta Baptist College	35															
*Mrs. M. J. Hyde	Atlanta Baptist College	35															
*W. B. Truesdell	Atlanta Baptist College	35															
*G. A. Goodwin	Atlanta Baptist College	35															
*Miss Maggie Rogers	Atlanta Baptist College	35															

* Teachers.

FLORIDA.

*G. P. McKinney, Prin..	Florida Institute, Live Oak.....	35	68	30	139	18	10000
*L. C. Jones.....	Florida Institute, Live Oak.....	35		60	69	2	
*S. Francis Wingfield.....	Florida Institute, Live Oak.....	35		29	33		200
*N. W. Collier, Prin	Florida Academy, Jacksonville.....	52		22	60		700
*Miss S. A. Blocker.....	Florida Academy, Jacksonville.....	35		3	35	40	

ALABAMA.

*C. S. Dinkins, Pres.....	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma.....	52	19	15	55		
*J. H. Wigington.....	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma.....	35			8		
*W. T. Coleman.....	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma.....	9	10	8	27		
*E. W. Knight.....	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma.....	35		4	33		
*Miss Ruth Haldrum	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma.....	35			23	8	145

MISSISSIPPI.

S. W. Brown	Educational Secretary.....	26					
*L. G. Barrett, Pres.....	Jackson College.....	52					
*Mrs. L. G. Barrett.....	Jackson College.....	35					
*P. H. Thompson.....	Jackson College.....	9					
*Miss F. J. Grady.....	Jackson College.....	35					
*Miss S. P. Durkee.....	Jackson College.....	35					
*Miss G. C. Horsford.....	Jackson College.....	35					
*Miss E. F. Ames.....	Jackson College.....	9					
*Mrs. P. H. Thompson.....	Jackson College.....	9					
*Miss M. E. McIntosh.....	Jackson College.....	31					
*Miss B. E. Davis.....	Jackson College.....	9					
*R. R. Perkins.....	Jackson College.....	22					
*Miss A. L. Douglas.....	Jackson College.....	22					
*Mrs. L. B. Capehart.....	Jackson College.....	22					
*L. B. Capehart	Jackson College.....	22					

LOUISIANA.

*O. L. Coleman, Prin....	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.....	52			55	25	
*J. L. Crossley.....	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.....	9	75	18	44		500
*E. B. Morgan.....	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.....	26	10	8	36		
*Miss Alice Wilson	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.....	35		1	41		
*Miss L. A. Bryant.....	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.....	35			31		
*O. E. Head.....	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.....	26			13		

* Teachers.

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		CHURCHES AND OUT- STATIONS SUPPLIED.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BIBLES AND TESTA- MENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	ADDED TO CHURCH.	NUMBERS OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CHURCH BUILDINGS.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOLS OR SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OR- GANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUN- DAY-SCHOOLS.	BENEVOLENT CONTRI- BUTIONS.								
ARKANSAS.																						
I. H. Hoke	General Missionary, Colored	52	135	30	140	97	20,500	80				5	4	\$46 64								
J. A. Booker, D.D., Pres.	Arkansas Bapt. Col., Little Rock.	52	30	30	97	100	10,000															
J. E. Knox	Arkansas Bapt. Col., Little Rock.	35	34	14	12	12	10,000															
Miss L. L. Gibbs	Arkansas Bapt. Col., Little Rock.	35		9	75																	
TEXAS.																						
F. G. Davis	Colored, General Missionary	52	135	30	140	97	20,500	80				5	4	\$46 64								
J. F. Anderson, Pres.	Hearne Academy	35	10																			
Miss M. E. Anderson	Hearne Academy	35																				
Miss H. A. Fucles	Hearne Academy	9	22	24	9																	
J. S. Stubbs	Houston Academy	20	10	15	34	60																
W. F. Bedson, Prin.	Houston Academy	9																				
Miss M. C. Jones	Houston Academy	9	10	5	30																	
Miss Daisy Jones	Houston Academy	0																				
Mrs. C. N. Pryor	Houston Academy	0																				
Miss I. L. Fair	Houston Academy	22		5	30	10																
Albert Loughridge, Pres.	Bishop College, Marshall	52	32	5	2	2																
E. K. A. handler, D.D.	Bishop College, Marshall	45	6	3	6																	
Mrs. F. K. handler	Bishop College, Marshall	45																				
J. R. Lee	Bishop College, Marshall	35																				
Miss Jean Davidson	Bishop College, Marshall	35																				
Miss Hannah Pearson	Bishop College, Marshall	35																				
Mrs. M. E. Maune	Bishop College, Marshall	9																				
Mrs. C. B. Jones	Bishop College, Marshall	9																				
Mrs. D. E. Harvey	Bishop College, Marshall	35		5																		
Miss H. I. Finney	Bishop College, Marshall	35	11	7	7																	
A. C. Rice	Bishop College, Marshall	35																				
J. G. Osborne	Bishop College, Marshall	35																				
J. B. Watson	Bishop College, Marshall	35																				
Mrs. A. Loughridge	Bishop College, Marshall	26																				
Miss Augusta Hodges	Bishop College, Marshall	26																				

Teachers.

* Teachers.

Arthur J. Hoag.....	New and West Duluth.....	26	2	61	43	237	100	7	15	89	45	0 38
C. F. Bronson.....	Worthington.....	39	1	119	40	358	8	12	12	100	105	129 24
A. B. Murphy.....	Blooming Prairie.....	13	4	38	12	115	.....	4	4	59	.....	.....
Marvin Hamilton.....	Staples and Philbrook.....	22	4	60	22	400	.....	2	6	50	117	36 11
J. N. McLean.....	Koochiching and vicinity.....	17	6	50	13	145	200	2	.....	.....	22	1 120
Charles Firth.....	France.....	13	2	30	12	150	.....	.....	2	48	.....	11 46
Knute Nelson.....	Norwegians, District Missionary.....	52	.....	259	43	361	.....	3	20	.....	.....	10 120
Marcus Hansen.....	Danes, District Missionary.....	52	.....	221	25	296	2 2100	.....	4	.....	.....	410 120
A. J. Dahlstrom.....	Swedes, District Missionary, North East.....	52	.....	233	9	732	587	4	7	.....	.....	194 36
Frederick Palmborg.....	Swedes, District Missionary, West.....	8	.....	55	2	44	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	15 97
Frederick Palmborg.....	Swedes, Second Church, St. Paul.....	44	2	142	51	314	.....	5	6	129	110	326 30
C. A. Aldeen.....	Swedes, Third Church, Duluth.....	52	2	163	78	336	8 225	8	3	93	117	284 93
Eric Sandell.....	Swedes, Elim Church, Minneapolis.....	17	1	47	17	75	.....	5	7	203	152	41 50
G. A. Johnson.....	Swedes, Sudan.....	26	2	63	33	152	.....	1	.....	33	95	74 29
G. A. Johnson.....	Swedes, Sudan and Eveleth.....	26	2	67	38	181	200	3	.....	29	97	85 89
Frederick Linden.....	Swedes, Bethel Church, Duluth.....	52	1	172	75	299	.....	7	6	132	81	529 86
C. E. Oberg.....	Swedes, Bethel Church, Minneapolis.....	52	1	165	164	552	29 760	5	14	88	174	118 40
Herman Bergman.....	Swedes, Aitken and Deerwood.....	52	6	160	85	219	.....	.....	3	50	178	60 40
Olof Tafin.....	Swedes, McIntosh and Queen.....	52	6	174	70	261	.....	.....	.....	54	14	81 81
E. O. Olson.....	Swedes, Milaca.....	26	4	90	70	150	.....	.....	6	64	94	153 66
N. H. Byers.....	Danes and Norwegians, Westbrook.....	26	1	70	19	101	150	2	4	136	140	100 91
John Hollstrom.....	Swedes, Big Stone.....	26	3	48	33	80	.....	.....	.....	31	.....	101 120
M. C. Jensen.....	Danes, Alden.....	39	3	105	42	296	11 185	2	2	67	63	271 05
C. C. Christiansen.....	Danes, Alden.....	13	3	40	16	80	.....	.....	2	60	50	20 50
A. M. Larsen.....	Norwegians, Fosston and vicinity.....	18	5	46	21	94	40	.....	4	14	37	40 85
A. M. Larsen.....	Norwegians, Rosebud and Queen.....	26	6	89	33	115	7 105	.....	.....	34	39	12 20
L. E. Larsen.....	Danes and Norwegians, Evan and Bellingham.....	26	6	83	13	305	10 210	.....	.....	27	17	178 46
Gustav Melby.....	Danes and Norwegians, St. Paul.....	26	2	89	35	135	100 2	2	4	84	101	60 51
Gustav Melby.....	Kenyon.....	26	2	66	18	100	272	.....	.....	71	165	91 52
O. H. Skotheim.....	Danes and Norwegians, St. Paul.....	26	2	77	22	165	.....	10	7	84	106	144 120
N. J. Lee.....	Norwegians, Blooming Prairie.....	13	2	26	8	70	.....	.....	.....	48	60	14 75
A. J. Wiklund.....	Finns, District Missionary.....	39	.....	157	45	595	11 300	5	3	.....	.....	15 60
W. F. Hart.....	Colored, Pethesda Church, Minneapolis.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. H. Harris.....	Colored, Bethesda Church, Minneapolis.....	9	1	19	4	189	10 110	.....	.....	27	20	171 45
Hans Blomgren.....	Swedes, Mankato.....	13	3	42	28	81	.....	.....	.....	36	18	15 120
C. C. Longlotz.....	Germans, District Missionary.....	52	.....	115	64	323	10 1852	1	4	.....	.....	26 42
Henri Gelan.....	Germans, Winona.....	52	1	110	51	451	3 4172	2	4	38	60	151 36
Hermann Kaas.....	Germans, St. Paul.....	52	.....	112	56	229	600 5	5	2	87	87	215 61
F. S. Goergens.....	Germans, Minneapolis.....	152	1	96	70	288	1 2700	3	4	121	82	70 85
Ludwig Von Lanyi.....	Germans, Sharon.....	13	1	26	30	64	70	55

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NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, &c	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Out- stations Served.	Sermons Preached.	Prayer and (Other Meetings Held.	Families or Persons Religiously Visited.	Bibles and Testa- ments Distributed.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	By Baptism Added to Church Experience.	Number of Church Members.	Churches Organized.	Church Edifices Erected.	Number of Sunday- Schools.	Sunday-Schools Or- ganized.	Attendance at Sun- day Schools.	Benevolent Contribu- tions.
IOWA.															
D. D. Proper	52	District Secretary, Central District	46	6	535	3	822	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	403 19
E. P. Bartlett	52	General Missionary	256	21	717	8	820	7	31	1	1	1	1	1	491 54
M. J. Sigler	52	District Missionary, East	256	21	413	1	84	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	556 07
V. Jones	52	District Missionary, West	256	21	413	1	84	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	556 07
J. J. Anderson	52	Norwegians and Danes, District Missionary	346	16	696	3	1249	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	280 37
August Olson	52	Swedes, District Missionary	322	16	480	20	1400	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	172 90
A. A. Holmgren	52	Swedes, Burlington	155	8	238	1	1300	4	70	1	1	1	1	1	228 00
Nels Nelson	52	Swedes, Sioux City	259	8	486	2	790	5	90	1	1	1	1	1	338 00
Rasmus Christensen	52	Danes, Council Bluffs	174	8	486	2	745	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	180 45
August Carlson	52	Danes, Chicago and Humboldt	132	3	232	9	20	20	2	1	1	1	1	1	85 55
H. E. Nelson	52	Danes, Central Lake	171	4	302	23	495	2	27	1	1	1	1	1	104 85
Gottlieb Heide	52	German, District Missionary	103	3	178	1	1197	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	137 47
Carl Swyer	52	German, District Missionary	43	3	103	30	300	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42 30
Carl Swyer	52	German, Arlington	30	2	85	10	300	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4 88
Howard Bellman	52	German, Allison and Hiteville	30	2	85	10	300	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4 88
Howard Bellman	52	German, near Lake	30	2	85	10	300	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4 88
W. A. Nelson	52	Danes, Doon	108	5	342	2	430	7	4	1	1	1	1	1	200 11
H. F. Tibbitts	52	Correctionville	32	2	60	1	1	1	99	1	1	1	1	1	59 75
John Hulse	52	Ottumwa	90	3	262	1	238	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	49 45
W. W. Allen	52	Decorah	36	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
J. W. Oliver	52	Calamus Junction	36	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
G. A. Bryant	52	Carlisle	32	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
W. H. Derward	52	Elgin	32	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
E. P. Lilly	52	Woodbine	32	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
A. E. Nordberg	52	Swedes, Strathred	36	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
C. G. Wright	52	Rolls	36	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
Daniel Regan	52	Thompson	36	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
Charles Sloan	52	Superior	36	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
J. E. Coats	52	Dubuque	36	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
N. E. Chapman	52	Marble Rock	36	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69
W. E. Barber	52	Marathon	36	2	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45 69

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J. F. Bryant.....	Spencer.....	52	3	154	55	652	4	789	4	6	45	1	45	94	25
C. H. H. Moore.....	Le Mar.....	13	1	40	13				2		63	1	90	138	41
Ernest Wood.....	Calvary Church, Sioux City.....	13	1	31	15	325				5	67	1	118	10	79
Frank D. Ward.....	Thornton.....	†													
John Longson.....	Bell Plain.....	9	1	27	11	81						1			
J. S. Nicholson.....	Brighton.....	13	2	37	20	16					71	2	68	10	25
C. V. Bentley.....	Wilton.....	†													
C. F. Lusk.....	Newton.....	9	1	18	7	49				6	73	1	81		
J. W. Megan.....	Spirit Lake.....	†													
MISSOURI.															
H. N. Bouey.....	Colored, General Missionary.....	52		200	121	150	4	747		10				1172	65
John Goins.....	Colored, District Missionary.....	52		190	127	225	41	853	12	65				781	57
W. H. Mueller.....	Germans, Alma.....	52	3	123	36	206		90		2	54	1	67	177	81
*Enos L. Scruggs, D.D.....	Western College, Macon.....	52		5		3									
*E. H. Borden.....	Western College, Macon.....	35		5		8		30							
*Miss M. F. Lewis.....	Western College, Macon.....	35				2		30							
INDIAN TERRITORY.															
Cortez Stubblefield.....	General Missionary.....	39		277	61	107		20	91			3		331	14
J. S. Murrow.....	District Missionary, South.....	52		112	135	855	80	15014		3				71	100
Daniel Rogers.....	District Missionary, North.....	52		142	38	70	6		10	4				123	35
A. L. Lacie.....	Cherokee Nation.....	52		196	132	739	6			2		2	187	88	70
W. A. Treadwell.....	Choctaw Nation.....	13		48	15	65	6	500	2					46	25
W. A. Treadwell.....	Refuge.....	39	4	119	35	162		400	5	26	61	1	85	85	101
I. S. Wright.....	Choctaw Nation.....	52		178	45	30	1	157	7	19	23			4	12
Alfred Folsom.....	Choctaw Nation.....	13		20	47	37	1		1						
J. P. Thompson.....	Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.....	52	6	147	101	67		400		13				10	25
Daniel Bird.....	Cherokee Association.....	52	17	165	10	225			13	7					
Moses Ridge.....	Cherokee Association.....	52	10	159	68	34			17						
Johnson Spade.....	Cherokees, Going Snake District.....	52	4	147	71	27	12	24	12	14	181		338	16	61
B. O. Field.....	Cherokees, Long Prairie.....	52	8	210	60	260		995	16	501	344		83	11	61
M. O. Field.....	Cherokees, Round Spring and vic.....	52	9	204	72	25			16	16	300	2	112	49	03
William Bird.....	Cherokees, Fourteen Mile Creek and vicinity.....	52	13	177	21	162			15	21	212		73		85
J. G. Brendel.....	Cherokees, Stillwell and Old Baptist Mission.....	52	3	164	48	162	27		35	35	107	1	191	107	68
Wolf Coon.....	Cherokees, Flint.....	13	2	24	13	18				2	35		56		25
G. W. Hall.....	Colored, District Missionary.....	52		206	56	220	24	512	29	45				25	50
F. J. Gor ton.....	Colored, District Missionary.....	39		46	31	70	40	270	3					62	40
W. M. Hays.....	Salisaw and Muldrow.....	13	2	55	20	55			1	8	145		104	16	75
W. M. Hays.....	Salisaw.....	39	4	188	91	425	10	300	50	39	189		185	101	67
M. O. Keller.....	Muscogee.....	52	3	154	52	294	28	1100	24	14	138	1	104	111	55

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* Teachers.

Jerry Hurt.....	New Hope and vicinity.....	26	5	65	45	70	4	10	153	3	112	45 00
W. B. Bradshaw.....	Hutchinson.....	26	2	70	26	181	50	200	7	144	1	137	89 52
W. R. Newman.....	Neodesha.....	26	.....	73	25	200	.....	.....	2	87	.....	1	.....	68	68 30
W. S. Carr.....	Erie.....	52	3	154	78	190	.....	1	1	99	1	2	1	110	22 78
D. G. Daily.....	La Cygne and vicinity.....	52	3	163	47	440	.....	5	37	48	.....	1	.....	100	42 62
E. E. Hatch.....	Clyde.....	26	1	52	26	40	.....	.....	2	91	.....	1	.....	70	74 10
G. K. Gilluly.....	Abilene.....	26	2	80	34	105	.....	3	7	78	.....	1	.....	65	96 40
D. L. Parker.....	Abilene.....	22	1	48	35	150	.....	.....	1	76	.....	1	.....	84	42 00
D. P. Crandall.....	Stockton.....	26	4	60	15	174	.....	.....	7	52	.....	1	.....	57	11 99
B. H. Moore.....	Arkansas City.....	26	3	110	38	1210	48	2000	31	179	.....	1	.....	170	141 52
J. M. Robinson.....	Dodge City and vicinity.....	52	5	170	50	175	.....	33	35	31	1	2	1	120	55 17
Albert Foltz.....	Lyons and vicinity.....	52	3	69	27	63	.....	12	5	46	.....	2	.....	163	67 70
H. V. Plummer.....	Colored, Rose Hill Church, Kansas City.....	52	1	229	92	174	5	40	6	92	.....	1	.....	76	94 22
T. E. Pierce.....	Colored, Mt. Hebron Church, Pittsburg.....	52	1	167	128	326	.....	3	16	63	.....	1	.....	55	82 45
Robert Cox.....	Colored, Ellsworth and vicinity.....	52	4	149	33	239	.....	.....	2	70	.....	3	.....	86	91 81
T. W. Greene.....	Colored, Mound City and vicinity.....	26	2	68	24	30	.....	.....	9	41	.....	2	.....	84	46 75
T. W. Greene.....	Colored, Ossawatimie, La Cygne, and Mound City.....	26	4	61	16	50	.....	4	4	75	.....	3	.....	112	48 70
J. A. Harris.....	Colored, Centralia and Frankfort.....	13	2	39	15	36	.....	3	.....	72	.....	2	.....	128	25 35
G. W. Hart.....	Colored, South Eastern Association.....	52	15	208	142	148	.....	19	33	43	4	2	.....	73	19 50
S. M. Lee.....	Colored, Mt. Pleasant Ch., Nicodemus.....	26	2	68	39	226	6	1795	.....	34	.....	2	.....	14	7 12
Charles Teale.....	Colored, Bethel Ch., Cherryvale.....	23	4	18	10	135	.....	200	2	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
J. E. Lemar.....	Fredonia and vicinity.....	23	2	69	27	86	14	180	1	33	.....	1	.....	52	18 36
J. S. Umberger.....	Fall River and vicinity.....	52	3	156	73	278	.....	400	6	53	.....	2	.....	78	185 07
Malcolm Wood.....	Harper and vicinity.....	26	3	78	38	195	2	.....	6	96	.....	1	.....	135	48 55
L. O. Hudson.....	Girard.....	26	2	103	51	76	.....	.....	4	86	.....	1	.....	61	27 30
H. P. Fuller.....	Wamego.....	13	2	35	1	5	.....	3	1	42	.....	2	.....	56	15 00
T. T. Moore.....	Nickerson.....	52	2	171	52	490	.....	31	45	235	.....	2	1	161	78 05
W. E. Powell.....	Pittsburg.....	26	5	100	51	156	12	250	4	80	.....	4	.....	163	50 80
J. H. Briscoe.....	Long Island.....	26	2	82	20	65	11	300	1	72	.....	2	.....	116	41 50
G. W. Shepard.....	St. John.....	13	4	59	12	68	.....	.....	2	37	.....	2	.....	40	11 00
Gustaf Johnson.....	Swedes, Sharon Springs and vic.....	24	3	56	41	208	6	72	.....	38	.....	1	.....	23	46 15
C. A. Berg.....	Swedes, Lindsborg.....	26	2	54	16	23	.....	1	24	43	.....	1	.....	60	44 08
W. F. Raiser.....	Ellinwood.....	26	2	60	26	15	.....	1	2	48	.....	1	.....	81	50 41
W. F. Raiser.....	Ellinwood and Chase.....	26	3	47	19	94	.....	.....	.....	106	.....	1	.....	88	46 30
T. J. Elkin.....	Norton.....	13	2	43	15	70	.....	50	3	38	.....	.....	.....	10	10 00
T. J. Elkin.....	Jennings.....	47	1	118	60	60	4	.....	4	49	.....	1	.....	76	52 46
W. M. Collins.....	Eureka.....	43	1	145	42	782	42	.....	68	177	.....	1	.....	210	306 00
J. M. Gurley.....	Calena.....	52	5	150	68	470	150	400	14	11	.....	2	.....	92	80 50
E. G. Doyer.....	Osborne and vicinity.....	43	1	43	57	283	.....	70	.....	642	.....	1	.....	128	70 80
F. J. Rice.....	Maysville.....	26	3	81	56	182	2	22	1	20	31 52
L. M. Backlund.....	Swedes, Brantford.....

† No report received.

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M. L. Rickson.	Hamman	1	13	54	733	1	101	89	135	418 36
J. W. Falls.	Kolspell	3	162	188	310	68	101	7	57	186 47
J. J. Salaman.	Nitauqua	52	114	48	395	13	18	105	149	187 50
N. E. Bailey.	Hamilton, Stevensville, and vicinity	59	149	74	474	3	535	17	134	116 59
W. M. Lewis.	East Gullistan and vicinity	47	275	43	113	8	5	52	160	91 15
H. F. Cope.	Dillon	52	431	76	917	25	800	6	98	243 15
J. L. Landes.	Billings, Montana, and Big Horn Basin, Wyoming	13	30	7	135	2	78	6	1	29 00
J. S. Cederberg.	Swedes, Anaconda and vicinity	52	201	76	375	1	274	1	1	57 100 55
C. G. Scott.	Swedes, Great Falls	59	267	142	241	11	578	1	1	104 00
Mrs J. Whitmore.	Chinese, Mission School, Butte	59	93	93	183	1	126	1	35	104 00
WYOMING										
A. H. Dent.	Shoridan and vicinity	54	126	42	83	33	15	96	77	134 24
S. C. Davis.	Cheyenne	52	105	106	562	52	429	4	12	170 29
A. E. Reynolds	Colored, Second Church, Cheyenne	4	17	7	30	1	1	1	40	6 80
E. S. Rogers	Evansville	52	140	86	767	9	1100	5	3	91 90
J. L. Lines	Basin City and vicinity	39	85	15	445	3	5495	2	48	72 47
H. W. Nice	Laramie	52	99	177	375	5	2	99	135	113 70
UTAH										
Genaro Missionary, Colorado and New Mexico		52	81	53	484	1	800	1	1280	18
District Missionary		26	148	36	300	2	600	1	86	32
Broadway Church, Denver		11	85	43	270	1	1	1	163	95
St. Olaf Church, Denver		43	1	61	235	1	1	7	153	30
North Side Church, Denver		52	113	106	395	5	5	54	138	107 30
Methodist Church, Denver		52	117	51	612	150	10	22	183	440 10
Episcopal City		52	117	51	459	2	7	2	80	97 40
Pharmer		52	116	101	737	1	100	5	7	76
Pharmer		52	60	13	200	1	1	1	68	1
Pharmer		13	54	16	250	1	1	1	28	1
Pharmer		39	115	48	473	3	3400	6	63	107 30
Grand Junction		22	4	22	268	1	68	1	1	67
Grand Junction		13	3	28	150	8	1	1	4	102 57
Garrison		52	136	59	240	19	1	12	80	52 02
D. S. McKishen		39	4	122	215	1	8	19	80	52 02
Hooper and Mosca		13	4	33	90	1	1	1	260	109 04
Florence		89	3	104	180	1	1	1	97	343 99
Fluence		13	3	104	180	1	1	1	160	12 00
Longmont		13	3	112	210	1	590	7	91	92 25
Longmont		13	3	112	295	1	68	3	85	117 35

No report received.

Teacher,

	26	8	115	30	700	1000	21	30	200	1	5	2	181
R. P. Pope.....	Alamogordo and vicinity.												
C. A. McIlroy.....	Wood, Hope, Lower Penasco and vicinity.				186		1	5	94		4		42 60
H. J. Powell.....	Cartisno.....	46	6	193	26	189	2	7	57				400
*W. H. Rishel, Pch.....	Echo Mission, Valverde.....	8	1	16	8	144	20	319					7 14
*Mrs. W. H. Rishel.....	Echo Mission, Valverde.....	43		39		144	20	319					
*Mrs. F. A. Cheever.....	Echo Mission, Valverde.....	43				144	20	319					
*Miss Carry Matthews.....	Echo Mission, Valverde.....	17				18	4	518					
		9				2		75					
ARIZONA.													
W. C. Whitaker.....	Tempe.....	46	1	130	70	206	11	2	78				19 40
W. J. Melton.....	Beckey and La Benda.....	30	3	43	5	140	16	90	3				132 92
C. J. Banks.....	Mesa.....	52	1	139	72	190	5	50	60				132 92
J. G. Thomas.....	Tucson.....	11	1	78	30	203			45				72 70
Winfield Scott.....	Prescott.....	32	1	47	23	125	20		44				11 04
UTAH.													
W. G. Evans.....	Ogden.....	52	2	116	107	707	4	475	142				464 30
T. L. Crandall.....	East Side Church, Salt Lake City.....	22	2	44	17	111		280	85				46 55
E. H. Shanks.....	East Side Church, Salt Lake City.....	11	1	47	13	140			103				132 100
J. O. Barroughs.....	Mercur.....	30	1	87	18	147	20	2750	13				60 85
J. C. Andrews.....	Provo.....	22	2	52	12	111		61000	57				104 5 31
A. F. Chapman.....	Provo.....	26	2	94	57	111		190	60				111 4 31
J. D. Johnson.....	Swedes, Salt Lake City and vicinity.....	48	2	108	15	126	11	1400	18				1 15
*Mrs. J. C. Andrews.....	Mission School, Provo.....	9				11							
*Mrs. F. M. Perry.....	Mission School, Provo.....	9				11							
*Miss Maud Newman.....	Mission School, Provo.....	10				11							
*Miss P. C. Extron.....	Mission School, Provo.....	10				11							
NEVADA.													
R. F. Hudson.....	Reno.....	52	2	116	47	140		50	130				172 10
W. M. McCart.....	District Missionary.....	1											
IDAHO.													
W. H. Fowler.....	Bellevue, Le Duc and Soldier.....	48	7	146	19	463		1500	112				210 30
A. F. Chapman.....	Blackfoot.....	22	1	40	22	70		1000	44				41 00
Henry Van Engelen.....	Pocatello and Blackfoot.....	8	1	18	6	17			7				11 50
Henry Van Engelen.....	Pocatello.....	8	1	18	8	17			13				11 50
C. W. Rich.....	Pocatello.....	17	1	15	17	208		200	4				104 19
F. N. Lyon.....	Southern and Middle Valley.....	10	1	35	16	55			10				104 19
H. S. 1 ac.....	Wallace.....	14	1	12	1	106			27				7 31

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* Teachers.

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELDS OF LABOR.	FIELDS OF LABOR.										DENOMINATIONS CONTINUED.									
		WORKS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OUTSTATIONS.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS VISITED.	BOOKS AND TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	ADDED TO CHURCH BY BAPTISM.	ADDED TO CHURCH BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	LCHURCH LOCITIES RECORDED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS ORGANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	DENOMINATIONS CONTINUED.				
C. H. McKee	Wallace	18	2	38	32	101				2	28					68	444				
David Smith	Naz Perce and vicinity	26	3	69	19	75					41					66	505				
G. R. Kye	Idaho Falls and Providence	22	3	40	42	97	132			17	37					74	37				
G. R. Schlauch	Lewiston	26	3	108	56	615			8	17	43					76	84				
D. M. McKenry	Mountain Home	28	1	35	14	79					14					73	35				
D. M. McKenry	Mountain Home and Boise Valley	13	2	36	12	30	7	25			83					76	86				
B. F. Hampton	Nampa and Caldwell	35	3	64	48	453				11	83					123	90				
William Pearce	Idaho Falls	17	2	56	17	128				4	59					86	121				
I. H. Lydson	Emmett	8	2	18	8	26			1		14					43	43				
D. C. Williams	Wesley	35	1	95	36	370	31	3040	2	13	66					101	55				
J. M. Skinner	Payette	36	3	64	28	190	41	155	4	3	101					101	55				
CALIFORNIA																					
Robert Whitaker	General Missionary, North	52		105	15	482		1000									237	34			
John Morgan	District Missionary, North	13		34	13	100	2										95	00			
Peter Peterson	Dunes, Watsonville and vicinity	52		190	59	325	5	650	13	1	35						67	66			
Nis Tychsen	Danes and Norwegians, Oakland	39	2	121	80	120	3	700	1	8	51						123	15			
Nis Tychsen	Danes and Norwegians, Oakland and San Francisco	13	2	40	32	69					49						83	00			
Charles Palm	Swedes, San Francisco	52	2	149	109	416			8	10	147						268	754			
A. B. Orgren	Swedes, San Jose	52	1	128	52	822				6	25						26	80			
J. L. Allen	Colored, Beth Eden Ch., Oakland	52	1	132	122	375	3	445	2	3	48						38	163			
Tong Kit Hing	Chinese, San Francisco	52	4	152	112	144	156	6000	3		88						108	209			
Lee To	Chinese, Evangelist	52		153	104	560	72	48900	16								20	90			
Miss E. H. Whitman	Chinese Mission, San Francisco	52																			
Miss E. M. Johnson	Chinese Mission, San Francisco	39																			
Miss A. E. Ross	Chinese Mission, San Francisco	17																			
Miss M. J. Ames	Chinese Mission, San Francisco	52																			
Miss Eliza Willase	Chinese Mission, Sacramento	43																			
Miss S. E. Stein	Chinese Mission, Fresno	39																			
Mrs. Amanda Egli	Chinese Mission, Oakland	52																			
Miss Ida May Egli	Chinese Mission, Oakland	52																			
J. G. Gibson	Emanuel Church, San Francisco.	52	1	104	52	191			5	18	149						192	294	08		

* Teachers.

W. C. Jenkins	Hamilton Sq Ch., San Francisco.	57	1	304	53	170	360	6	5	123	..	397	185 65
W. J. D. Wood	Coronado and Laytonville.	58	4	153	44	260	..	..	1	67	..	1..	74 15
W. M. Halsey	Gonzales and vicinity	59	6	24	13	86	1	981	..	59	..	100	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	60	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	61	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	62	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	63	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	64	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	65	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	66	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	67	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	68	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	69	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	70	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	71	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	72	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	73	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	74	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	75	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	76	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	77	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	78	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	79	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	80	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	81	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	82	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	83	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	84	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	85	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	86	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	87	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	88	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	89	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	90	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	91	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	92	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	93	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	94	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	95	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	96	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	97	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	98	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	99	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70
W. M. Halsey	San Francisco	100	1	153	44	278	..	..	15	..	..	..	337 70

FIELDS OF LABOR.																	
NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, &c.																	
WORKS OF LABOR.																	
CHURCHES AND DIS- TRICTS.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYER AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BIBLE AND TESTA- MENT LESSONS TAUGHT.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	BY BAPTISM.	BY LETTER OR OTHER MEANS.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CURRICULUMS SELECTED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OR- GANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUN- DAY-SCHOOLS.	RENEWAL OF CONTRI- BUTIONS.			
James McDermid.....	Hemet.....	52	1	104	46	127	15	450	4	2	57	1	1	82	64		
H. Scott.....	Fullerton.....	39	2	71	30	175	15	50	3	5	56	1	1	82	106		
S. H. Smith.....	Second Church, Riverside.....	39	1	30	50	200	10	70	7	9	48	1	1	74	11		
E. E. Tyson.....	San Dimas and Covina.....	18	2	45	33	180	10	70	7	9	63	1	1	80	24		
G. W. Swift.....	San Luis Obispo.....	9	1	10	19	10	10	10	1	1	19	1	1	55	7		
Joseph Ellison.....	Whittier.....	35	1	66	40	204	28	183	7	13	34	1	1	55	27		
R. R. Williams.....	Day.....	30	1	77	38	36	2	1	1	1	45	1	1	66	127		
I. M. Lockhart.....	Santa Paula.....	4	2	10	4	52	2	1	1	1	33	1	1	80	3		
Augustus Freeman.....	Hanning.....	26	1	44	42	58	1	1	1	1	55	1	1	64	61		
E. H. Brooks.....	Long Beach and vicinity.....	13	2	26	20	180	1	1	1	1	48	1	1	80	90		
OREGON.																	
A. Wooddy.....	District Secretary, Pacific District.....	52	1	13	57	39	1	17,700	5	1	1	1	1	1	1200		
Gilman Parker.....	General Missionary.....	52	1	125	110	385	14	120	14	11	1	1	1	1	386		
C. P. Bailey.....	District Missionary.....	52	1	135	116	414	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
I. T. Hoyer.....	District Missionary, Loom County.....	26	1	107	554	549	6	2680	15	43	165	1	1	204	495		
Lucas Kratt.....	Germans, First Church, Portland.....	13	5	40	20	118	1	1	1	1	88	1	1	117	153		
Gustave Schunke.....	Germans, Salem and Dallas.....	30	4	128	75	363	1	420	5	5	74	1	1	59	141		
Gustave Waehle.....	Germans, Albany.....	30	1	101	10	130	1	1	1	1	52	1	1	67	54		
Charles Eukler.....	Germans, Salt Creek Ch., Dallas.....	30	1	87	43	110	1	45	1	1	38	1	1	78	94		
Fung Chak.....	Chinese, Portland.....	52	1	216	333	170	1	1	1	1	7	1	1	17	174		
G. A. Oabrink.....	Swedish Conference.....	52	1	249	42	240	39	495	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
W. E. Thornton.....	Lone Rock and Oak Creek.....	52	1	110	48	244	1	276	1	1	25	1	1	38	24		
I. H. Brown.....	Lone Rock and vicinity.....	26	8	121	28	55	1	30	9	16	81	1	1	108	1		
E. M. Bliss.....	Calvary Church, Portland.....	52	1	215	55	565	1	1000	1	1	319	1	1	273	219		
H. H. Turner.....	Immanuel Church, Portland.....	39	1	154	65	513	1	1000	1	1	191	1	1	213	110		
N. S. Hollenbeck.....	Grace Church, Montaville and Park Place Church, Portland.....	46	2	53	24	65	1	1	1	1	106	1	1	259	89		
N. S. Hollenbeck.....	Grace Church, Montaville.....	46	2	75	25	60	1	1	1	1	70	1	1	221	72		
Harry Ferguson.....	Third Church, Portland.....	30	1	127	35	523	2	150	2	1	148	1	1	102	16		
I. S. Dolin.....	La Grande.....	26	1	80	46	275	1	767	1	1	70	1	1	169	54		
C. R. Lamm.....	Fossil.....	26	5	80	46	275	1	300	41	5	70	1	1	233	94		

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NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELDS IN LABOR.	CHURCHES AND O-		PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES VISITED.	BIBLES AND TESTA- MENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	ADDED TO CHURCH		CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	LITURGICAL SERVICES.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OR SCHOOLS.	ATTENDANCE AT SUN- DAY-SCHOOLS.	BENEVOLENT CONTRI- BUTIONS.
		Weeks of Labor.	Stations, &c.	Sermons Preached.	Religious & Persons	Bibles and Testa- ments Distributed.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	By Baptism.	By Letter or Experience.						
H. W. D. Kirkendall ..	Northport	26	4	32	23	5	350	3	3	25	1	18	1	1	18
H. W. D. Kirkendall ..	Colville	26	4	95	33	224	100	3	3	25	1	18	1	1	18
A. J. Gage ..	Wilbur	26	4	94	39	120	750	21	21	83	1	70	1	1	70
A. J. Gage ..	Wilbur and Preston ..	26	4	118	57	120	750	9	9	180	1	83	1	1	83
J. H. Weber ..	Days ..	43	3	109	91	336	120	6	6	71	1	86	1	1	86
Matthew Bramblett ..	Latah	30	3	77	32	84	275	6	6	66	1	71	1	1	71
Matthew Bramblett ..	Oakesdale and Steptoe ..	23	2	37	24	77	1080	1	1	75	1	132	1	1	132
D. J. Pierce ..	Edenburgh	4	1	20	10	119	1080	1	1	35	1	46	1	1	46
I. J. Collins ..	Colfax	26	4	108	61	150	321	35	35	214	1	241	1	1	241
G. W. Black ..	Harland and vicinity	13	7	55	4	60	...	1	1	21	1	72	1	1	72
G. W. Black ..	Roslyn and Cle Elum	13	3	15	9	135	...	1	1	52	1	67	1	1	67
W. A. McCall ..	Ellensburg	4	1	8	4	30	...	1	1	36	1	77	1	1	77
T. L. Lewis ..	Wenatchee and Mission	22	1	76	30	110	208	14	14	36	1	69	1	1	69
W. E. Randall ..	General Missionary, West	52	1	158	56	586	586	14	14	36	1	69	1	1	69
N. J. Thornquist ..	Sweden Conference	24	4	141	42	110	500	3	3	49	1	70	1	1	70
Andrew Johnson ..	Sweden, Seattle and Clearhouse	26	4	63	28	199	...	3	3	63	1	96	1	1	96
Andrew Johnson ..	Sweden, Peavson and Cedarhouse	26	4	67	33	157	...	3	3	77	1	105	1	1	105
Nicholas Hayland ..	Sweden, Tacoma	39	1	106	67	236	...	3	3	77	1	105	1	1	105
Nicholas Hayland ..	Norwegians and Dunes, Seattle	26	2	89	44	305	...	3	3	40	1	50	1	1	50
E. A. H. Johnson ..	Norwegians and Dunes, Seattle	13	2	52	23	72	...	3	3	38	1	50	1	1	50
E. A. H. Johnson ..	Norwegians and Dunes, Seattle	13	2	52	23	72	...	3	3	38	1	50	1	1	50
O. L. Hoen ..	Norwegians and Dunes, Seattle	39	3	106	39	246	...	3	3	38	1	50	1	1	50
C. J. Granquist ..	Sweden, Ferndale, New Whatcom	26	3	128	55	304	...	3	3	76	1	131	1	1	131
C. J. Granquist ..	Sweden, Delta and West Ferndale	26	3	128	55	304	...	3	3	76	1	131	1	1	131
Jacob Larsen ..	Scandinavians, Tacoma	26	1	101	26	160	...	3	3	92	1	110	1	1	110
C. H. Carlson ..	Sweden, New Whatcom	57	1	97	22	80	...	3	3	92	1	110	1	1	110
Fukunatsu Okazaki ..	Japanese, Seattle	57	1	97	22	80	...	3	3	92	1	110	1	1	110
C. E. Klever ..	Germania, Puget Sound (ites.	57	1	97	22	80	...	3	3	92	1	110	1	1	110
S. W. Reaven ..	Burton ..	20	2	19	24	740	...	3	3	92	1	110	1	1	110
James Cairns ..	Freemont ..	57	1	171	106	184	...	3	3	92	1	110	1	1	110
M. Hinkell ..	Chelalis	57	1	171	106	184	...	3	3	92	1	110	1	1	110
William Brown ..	Winlock	26	4	76	26	280	...	3	3	92	1	110	1	1	110
J. H. Morgan ..	North Bend and Fall Cuy ..	26	4	76	26	280	...	3	3	92	1	110	1	1	110

MISSIONARY TABLE.

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NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, ETC.	FIFTH OF LABOR
BRITISH COLUMBIA:	
S. R. Stephens.....	Mt. Pleasant Church, Vancouver....
C. N. Mitchell.....	Chilwack
MEXICO.	
H. T. Westrup.....	Montemorelos.....
W. H. Spain.....	City of Mexico.....
Ermesto Barocio.....	Assistant, City of Mexico.....
Fernando Urtegas.....	Puebla.....
Teebio Barocio.....	San Luis Potosi.....
A. K. Cavazos.....	San Luis Potosi.....
J. F. Kimball.....	San Antonio.....
R. C. Perez.....	San Antonio.....
Refugio Garza.....	New Laredo and vicinity.....
I. M. Villareal.....	Caderetta.....
M. A. Villareal.....	Salinas.....
Alejandro Trevino.....	Salinas Hidalgo.....
Miss Orelia Rocha.....	Monterrey.....
Miss B. Westrup.....	International School, Monterrey.....
Miss Marie Westrup.....	International School, Monterrey.....
Miss Esther Trevino.....	International School, Monterrey.....
Miss Delina Cavazos.....	International School, Monterrey.....
Miss Zoila Ramirez.....	Mission School, Montemorelos.....
Miss Orelia Rocha.....	Montemorelo.....
ALASKA	
C. Jordan.....	Skagway.....

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SUMMARY
OF STATES, RECEIPTS, MISSIONARIES, LABORS AND RESULTS.

STATES, ETC.	CONTRIBUTIONS AND LEGACIES IN 1899-00.	No. of Missionaries.	Weeks of Labor.	CHURCHES AND OUT-STATES SUPPLIED.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYER-MEETINGS ATTENDED.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	LETTERS AND TESTIMONIES DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	By BAPTISM.	By LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CHURCH EDIFICES ERECTED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	REVOLVENT CONTRIBUTIONS.	
Maine	\$2,247 85	58	1	1	104	52	313	17	1,000	1	95	98	1	1	1	1	1	\$5,000 53
New Hampshire ..	1,895 34	1	1	1	425	200	1,059	44	8,676	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$5,000 53
Vermont	1,573 37	1	1	1	108	96	1,050	44	8,676	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$5,000 53
Massachusetts	27,634 37	23	1	1	2,328	1,072	8,000	956	18,327	78	47	758	17	17	17	108	1,000 00	
Rhode Island	5,000 00	1	1	1	125	872	1,058	112	14,157	3	65	64	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Connecticut	17,677 21	1	1	1	1,416	1,066	7,037	488	32,677	53	34	945	8	8	8	755	2,500 00	
New York	117,662 41	58	1	1	4,556	1,066	7,037	488	32,677	53	34	945	8	8	8	755	2,500 00	
New Jersey	9,000 00	1	1	1	1,705	1,066	7,037	488	32,677	53	34	945	8	8	8	755	2,500 00	
Pennsylvania	14,740 80	1	1	1	1,077	1,066	7,037	488	32,677	53	34	945	8	8	8	755	2,500 00	
Delaware	1,785 30	1	1	1	557	240	1,066	111	4,074	26	45	393	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Dist. of Columbia ..	1,400 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Virginia	27,000 00	41	1	1	1,809	562	1,854	100	30,713	10	78	665	2	2	2	667	1,000 00	
West Virginia	1,799 75	1	1	1	1,086	476	5,350	86	10,358	37	37	86	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Kentucky	218 00	1	1	1	279	476	725	28	10,666	11	21	857	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Tennessee	48 00	1	1	1	45	452	1,198	31	5,375	4	47	1,098	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
North Carolina	27 13	1	1	1	338	19	373	145	7,578	12	12	145	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
South Carolina	4,400 00	52	1	1	468	144	373	60	10,600	12	12	145	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Georgia	48 00	1	1	1	29	29	140	8	145	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Florida	80 62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Alabama	400 00	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Mississippi	1,000 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Louisiana	1,000 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Arkansas	1,000 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Texas	1,000 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Ohio	8,867 81	20	1	1	210	311	3,244	191	9,500	80	11	224	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Michigan	4,478 15	20	1	1	628	2,358	8,000	28	35,155	8	93	1,098	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Illinois	4,777 06	1	1	1	286	1,876	4,333	18	35,155	8	93	1,098	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Indiana	1,277 81	28	1	1	3,526	1,876	11,214	243	30,986	151	128	1,098	4	4	4	3	1	1,000 00
Wisconsin	10,000 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000 00
Minnesota	1,115 68	57	1	1	5,093	9,348	14,596	279	96,444	180	213	3,418	3	3	3	79	1	1,000 00

Iowa.....	38	1,294	56	4,130	1,526	8,769	209	58,705	138	140	2,042	3	44	2,404	2	4,615
Missouri.....	6	278	3	523	284	594	45	1,750	32	77	54	.....	1	67	.....	2,131
Indian Territory.....	65	2,301	160	5,270	2,036	8,428	408	35,587	461	545	3,115	5	60	3,788	1	2,728
Oklahoma Ter..	45	1,223	80	2,923	1,191	9,468	154	41,116	203	462	2,659	9	31	2,526	.....	1,408
Kansas.....	66	2,144	172	6,737	3,103	14,854	421	13,667	525	544	5,035	8	88	5,334	5	6,711
Nebraska.....	47	1,552	74	4,383	1,741	11,905	134	25,144	255	219	3,248	6	54	3,782	7	5,668
South Dakota...	49	1,600	111	4,716	2,055	10,177	330	20,701	253	137	3,306	3	72	4,068	.....	3,723
North Dakota...	42	1,353	117	3,864	1,769	8,042	117	9,176	166	213	2,734	2	79	3,335	.....	3,117
Montana.....	16	720	24	1,843	1,008	5,940	64	10,149	42	94	849	.....	20	1,310	2	1,966
Wyoming.....	6	251	13	681	433	2,261	64	6,934	47	40	470	.....	9	684	.....	588
Colorado.....	41	1,258	64	3,660	1,699	11,305	156	19,044	152	280	2,560	2	53	4,147	.....	5,686
New Mexico....	14	449	35	988	400	3,923	40	7,768	88	140	932	4	20	1,355	.....	878
Arizona.....	5	191	7	446	209	2,894	52	640	29	26	253	.....	4	395	.....	390
Utah.....	11	291	12	563	303	3,211	32	15,758	35	28	488	.....	9	944	.....	507
Nevada.....	2	52	2	98	47	340	.....	.....	51	15	159	.....	2	187	.....	371
Idaho.....	16	431	43	1,111	473	3,177	51	7,814	12	63	968	.....	30	2,019	.....	1,092
California.....	69	2,466	107	5,683	3,277	19,798	840	131,939	195	307	3,953	6	83	5,123	.....	8,245
Oregon.....	40	1,509	97	4,721	1,991	10,387	82	29,708	211	239	2,775	.....	52	1,053	.....	4,857
Washington....	59	2,090	155	5,762	2,738	16,038	144	26,248	311	449	4,099	13	91	5,984	2	6,558
Ontario.....	2	104	4	214	150	540	.....	.....	15	7	212	.....	3	163	.....	213
Manitoba.....	2	69	9	254	84	457	38	4,300	8	24	184	2	5	171	.....	310
Alberta.....	1	52	4	131	54	729	.....	.....	2	4	42	.....	3	64	.....	101
British Columbia	2	26	6	82	52	220	.....	.....	4	3	90	.....	3	235	.....	13
Assiniboia.....	3	61	4	86	82	491	22	694	4	5	216	.....	2	71	.....	44
Mexico.....	18	765	8	1,981	687	6,850	206	116,010	66	34	758	.....	21	904	.....	843
Alaska.....	1	52	2	119	136	606	4	1,090	1	13	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	106
Cuba.....	4	104	3	202	86	1,569	120	9,360	50	10	122	1	3	154	.....	46
Porto Rico.....	6	234	.....	487	118	991	224	3,300	50	.....	55	.....	2	205	.....	60
Ger. Miss. Soc'y	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woman's Am....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Women's Mich..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Women's Ill....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTALS.....	\$322,285 30	1,180	40,385	1,776 93,242	44,745	284,220	8,013	1,734,830	4,442	5,233	56,863	76	1,154	74,330	30	97,482 24

MEMBERS FOR LIFE.

Total Number Constituted such During the Year—59.

- Ainsworth, Clarence E., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Armington, Arthur H., Providence, R. I., by Self.
 Baldwin, Arthur C., Rochester, N. Y., by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Baldwin, James F., Poughkeepsie, N. Y., by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Baptist Young People's Union of First Church, Lebanon, Ind., by Self.
 Betteridge, Rev. Walter R., Rochester, N. Y., by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Brigham, Horace E., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Brinstad, Rev. C. W., Omaha, Neb., by N. B. Raiden, D.D.
 Brownville, Albert E., Needham, Mass., by First Church.
 Burhoe, Thomas K., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Burrows, Sara Frances, Newark, N. J., by First Peddie Memorial Sunday School.
 Butler, Edwin G., Rockville, Conn., by Mrs. William Butler.
 Chase, Mrs. Jane M., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Cogswell, William G., Providence, R. I., by Calvary Church.
 Crannell, Rev. Phillip W., Corning, N. Y., by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Critchett, Rev. M. B., Faribault, Minn., by Mrs. J. G. Briggs, Cheney, Minn.
 Crooks, Rev. J. W., Denver, Col., by N. B. Raiden, D.D.
 Cummings, Miss Anna S., Saxtons River, Vt., by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Cunningham, H. T., Centralia, Ill., by Self.
 Dudley, Mrs. Abby, Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Gleason, Mrs. Caroline B., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Holden, Alice E., Needham, Mass., by First Church.
 Holman, Mrs. Martha, Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Holmes, Mrs. Annie V., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Hutchings, Miss Georgiana, Newark, N. J., by First Peddie Memorial Sunday School.
 Hylan, Mrs. Lilian E. K., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 James, Miss Hannah M., Philadelphia, Pa., by Mrs. Trevor.
 Lamb, Rufus, Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Lounsbury, Rev. Edward W., Aurora, Ill., by Self.
 Manning, Rev. Reuben E., Chicago, Ill., by Self.
 Mathews, W. N., Bedford, Ind., by Self.
 McMinis, Rev. S., West Concord, Minn., by J. G. Briggs, Cheney, Minn.
 Montague, Mrs. Jane T., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Morrison, Jessie L., Jacksonville, Ill., by Church.
 Murrow, Rev. Joseph W., Atoka, Ind. Ter., by Self.
 Ramaker, Rev. Albert J., Rochester, N. Y., by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Rauschenbusch, Rev. Walter, Rochester, N. Y., by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Reynolds, Charles B., Wickford, R. I., by the Church.
 Richards, W. M., Shelbyville, Ill., by Self.
 Robins, Miss Martha J., Rochester, N. Y., by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Saunders, W. H. H., Troy, N. Y., by First Baptist Sunday School.
 Schneek, Rev. Gustav H., Rochester, N. Y., by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Smiley, Miss Adelaide L., Saxtons River, Vt., by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Sperry, J. H., Grundy Center, Iowa, by Self.
 Stearns, Austin C., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Stevens, Rev. Sumner W., Philadelphia, Pa., by Mrs. Trevor.
 Stone, Rev. G. W., Waseca, Minn., by Mrs. J. G. Briggs, Cheney, Minn.
 Trow, Rev. George C., Plainfield, N. H., by Rev. Benj. O. True.
 True, Mrs. Pamela S., Miss Helen E., Miss Ruth S., Frank William, and Mrs. Mary, by Prof. Benj. O. True.
 Walker, Mrs. Annie M., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Wedge, Rev. and Mrs. A. P., Rockville, Conn., by Mrs. Wm. Butler.
 White, Miss Emma M., Westboro, Mass., by First Church.
 Whitney, Rev. F. C., Austin, Minn., by Mrs. J. G. Briggs, Cheney, Minn.
 Wilson, H. E., Aurora, Ill., by Self.

TABLE OF ANNUAL MEETINGS.

DATE.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	TREASURER.
1832, April 27.....	N. Y. Organizat'n	Hon. Thomas Stocks...	Rev. Jonathan Going, elected	Wm. Colgate elected.
1833, May 8.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.....	William Colgate.
1834, May 7 & 8.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.....	William Colgate.
1835, May 4 & 5.....	Richmond.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.....	William Colgate.
1836, June 7 & 8.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	{ Rev. Jonathan Going } { Rev. Luther Crawford }	William Colgate.
1837, April 27-30.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	{ Rev. Jonathan Going } { Rev. Luther Crawford }	Runyon W. Martin.
1838, April 27 & 28	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Luther Crawford.....	Runyon W. Martin.
1839, April 26.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1840, April 28.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1841, April 27, 28 & May 1	Baltimore	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1842, April 26-28.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1843, April 25.....	Albany	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1844, April 23, 26, 29 & 30	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1845, April 29 & May 1 & 2	Providence.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1846, May 13 & 14.....	Brooklyn.....	Friend Humphrey	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1847, May 10 & 11.....	New York	Friend Humphrey	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1848, May 11.....	New York	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1849, May 10.....	New York.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1850, May 9.....	New York	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1851, May 8.....	New York	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1852, May 14-16.....	Cleveland	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1853, May 13-15.....	Troy.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1854, May 11-14.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Chas. J. Martin.
1855, May 9.....	Brooklyn.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Chas. J. Martin.
1856, May 9 & 10.....	New York	Hon. Albert Day	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Chas. J. Martin.
1857, May 13 & 14.....	Boston.....	Hon. Albert Day	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	J. E. Southworth.
1858, May 14 & 15.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Albert Day	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	D. C. Whitman.
1859, May 13-15.....	New York	Hon. J. P. Crozer	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Eben. Cauldwell.
1860, May 24.....	Cincinnati.....	Hon. J. P. Crozer	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Eben. Cauldwell.
1861, May 31.....	Brooklyn.....	J. E. Southworth.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Eben. Cauldwell.
1862, May 29.....	Providence.....	Hon. Ira Harris.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Eben. Cauldwell.
1863, May 21.....	Cleveland.....	Hon. J. W. Merrill.....	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.....	Eben. Cauldwell.

TABLE OF ANNUAL MEETINGS.—Continued.

DATE.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	TREASURER.
1864, May 19, 21 & 24	Philadelphia	Hon. J. W. Merrill	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1865, May 18, 20, 22 & 23	St. Louis	M. B. Anderson, LL.D.	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1866, May 17 & 18	Boston	M. B. Anderson, LL.D.	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1867, May 23 & 24	Chicago	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1868, May 26 & 27	New York	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1869, May 19	Boston	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1870, May 26	Philadelphia	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1871, May 20 and 21	Chicago	Hon. Wm. Kelly	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1872, May 23	New York	Hon. J. M. S. Williams	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Wm. A. Gellatly.
1873, May 21 & 22	Albany	Hon. J. M. S. Williams	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Wm. A. Gellatly.
1874, May 23-25	Washington	Hon. S. A. Crozer	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1875, May 27	Philadelphia	Hon. S. A. Crozer	Nathan Bishop, LL.D., acting Sec.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1876, May 26	Buffalo	Hon. S. A. Crozer	Nathan Bishop, LL.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1877, May 24	Providence	Hon. Robert O. Fuller	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1878, May 29	Cleveland	Hon. Robert O. Fuller	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1879, May 29 & 30	Saratoga Springs	Hon. Robert O. Fuller	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1880, May 26 & 27	Saratoga Springs	Hon. Wm. Stickney	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1881, May 24 & 25	Indianapolis	Hon. Wm. Stickney	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1882, May 24, 25 & 26	New York	Hon. James L. Howard	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1883, May 25 & 26	Saratoga Springs	Hon. James L. Howard	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1884, May 26 & 27	Detroit	Hon. James L. Howard	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1885, May 27 & 28	Saratoga Springs	John B. Trevor	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	William Phelps.
1886, May 27, 28 & 29	Asbury Park, N.J.	Samuel Colgate	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.

1887, May 27, 28 & 29	Minneapolis	Samuel Colgate	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.
1888, May 16 & 17	Washington	Samuel Colgate	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.
1889, May 17 & 18	Boston	Hon. C. W. Kingsley	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.
1890, May 26 & 27	Chicago	Hon. C. W. Kingsley	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.
1891, May 20 & 21	Cincinnati	Hon. C. W. Kingsley	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.
1892, May 27 & 28	Philadelphia	Hon. E. Nelson Blake	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.
1893, May 29 & 30	Denver	Hon. E. Nelson Blake	{ Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., hon. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1894, May 23 & 24	Saratoga Springs	Hon. E. Nelson Blake	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1895, May 30 & 31	Saratoga Springs	H. K. Porter	{ Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1896, May 25 & 26	Asbury Park, N. J.	H. K. Porter	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1897, May 19 & 20	Pittsburg, Pa.	H. K. Porter	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	D. A. Waterman.
1898, May 19 & 20	Rochester, N. Y.	Stephen Greene	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	D. A. Waterman.
1899, May 30 31, and San Francisco, June 1	Cal.	Stephen Greene	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	Frank R. Hathaway.
1900, May 23 and 24	Detroit, Mich.	Stephen Greene	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	Frank R. Hathaway.

Officers were elected generally at the Annual Meeting previous to that against which their names appear in the foregoing table.

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

I.—This Society shall be called **THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY.**

OBJECT.

II.—The object of this Society shall be to promote the preaching of the Gospel in North America.

MEMBERSHIP.

III.—The Society shall be composed of Annual Delegates and Life Members. Any Baptist Church, in union with the denomination, may appoint a delegate for an annual contribution of ten dollars, and an additional delegate for each additional thirty dollars. Fifty dollars shall be requisite to constitute a Member for Life.

OFFICERS.

IV.—The officers of the Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, two Auditors, one or more Corresponding Secretaries, and a Recording Secretary.

MANAGERS.

V.—There shall be twenty-one managers also, residing chiefly in the city of New York, or its vicinity, who shall be divided by lot among themselves into three classes of seven members each. The terms of service of the first class shall expire in one year, that of the second class in two years, and that of the third class in three years; provided that absence from four consecutive regular meetings of the Board without a written, valid excuse, shall work a forfeiture of membership, unless the term is extended by special vote of the Board. At each annual meeting of the Society, after the first election under this amended Constitution, one class only shall be elected for the term of three years, to the end that the third part of the whole number of the managers, as nearly as possible, may be annually chosen; provided, however, that vacancies remaining in any class may be filled for the unexpired term of that class. The officers and managers shall be elected by ballot and continue to discharge their official duties until superseded by a new election.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

VI.—The Recording Secretary and Managers of the Society shall constitute the Executive Board, to control the business of the Society, seven of whom shall be a quorum for that purpose. They shall have power to appoint their own meetings, elect their own Chairman, and Recording Secretary, enact their own By-laws and Rules of Order, provided, always, that they be not inconsistent with this Constitution; fill all vacancies which may occur in their own body, or in the offices of the Society, during the year, and, if deemed necessary by two-thirds of the members, convene special meetings of the Society. They shall establish such agencies as the interests of the Society may require, appoint agents and missionaries, fix their compensations, direct and instruct them concerning their particular fields and labors, make all appropriations to be paid out of the treasury, and present the Society, at each annual meeting, a full report of their proceedings during the current year.

DESIGNATED FUNDS.

VII.—All moneys or other property contributed and designated for any particular missionary field or purpose shall be so appropriated, or returned to the donors or their lawful agents.

TREASURER.

VIII.—The Treasurer shall give bonds to such amount as the Executive Board shall think proper.

ELIGIBILITY TO APPOINTMENT.

IX.—All the Officers, Managers, Missionaries and Agents of the Society shall be members in good standing in regular Baptist Churches.

ANNUAL MEETING.

X.—The Society shall meet annually for the election of Officers and Managers, and the transaction of other necessary business, at such time and place at the Executive Board shall appoint.

ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

XI.—No alteration of this Constitution shall be made without an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed in writing, and the proposition sustained by a majority vote, at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Board.

MISSIONARIES AND TEACHERS BY STATES FOR EACH YEAR.

	Mo.	Mich.	Wis.	Iowa.	Illin.	Kan.	Neb.	Col.	Ind. T.	Okla. T.	Dak.	No. Dak.	So. Dak.	Mon.	Idaho.	Wyo.	Utah.	N. Mex.	Ariz.	Nev.	Cal.	Ore.	Wash.	Can.	Mex.	New Granada.	Alaska.	Total.
1850	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50
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Operations in the South were discontinued on the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845. were resumed in 1862, since which time they have been chiefly among the Freedmen, and are largely national. The decrease of laborers among the Freedmen after 1871 is largely accounted for by the fact that men were no longer commissioned as teachers and missionaries during their summer vacations. 1845-99, Cuba, 2; Porto Rico, 2. 1899-00 Cuba, 4; Porto Rico, 6.

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RESULTS.

SOCIETY'S YEAR.	Contributions and Legacies.	No. of Missionaries	Churches and Stations Supplied.	Baptisms Reported.	Churches Organized	Years of Labor.
1--1832-33	\$6,586 73	50	.....	400	....	23
2--1833-34	7,776 52	58	.....	1,600	40	55
3--1834-35	8,663 84	79	.....	1,200	60	68
4--1835-36	16,910 85	96	300	1,040	96	79
5--1836-37	12,361 66	103	247	873	33	89
6--1837-38	13,437 81	105	237	1,431	29	81
7--1838-39	15,345 05	115	.....	1,058	24	88
8--1839-40	17,334 29	87	.....	761	24	62
9--1840-41	10,779 09	71	300	1,194	59	45
10--1841-42	12,506 92	93	325	1,495	36	68
11--1842-43	11,806 51	85	304	1,489	50	63
12--1843-44	13,401 76	73	249	1,127	29	46
13--1844-45	18,675 68	97	327	818	51	62
14--1845-46	15,727 73	98	472	992	33	71
15--1846-47	18,161 50	136	505	490	29	84
16--1847-48	20,068 73	151	558	694	35	105
17--1848-49	20,876 64	128	453	774	45	92
18--1849-50	25,301 09	110	338	949	33	81
19--1850-51	29,648 28	132	386	981	33	98
20--1851-52	38,114 16	141	380	1,187	46	99
21--1852-53	42,872 01	164	500	1,025	59	116
22--1853-54	56,381 08	175	612	1,322	67	137
23--1854-55	55,545 40	169	481	1,026	55	128
24--1855-56	47,928 54	113	196	542	21	87
25--1856-57	43,361 76	88	211	336	22	64
26--1857-58	41,707 82	97	247	593	27	77
27--1858-59	43,525 92	106	269	764	53	85
28--1859-60	55,749 50	128	358	496	50	96
29--1860-61	44,678 67	131	371	867	71	109
30--1861-62	31,144 28	84	252	473	30	71
31--1862-63	32,095 30	87	215	501	17	55
32--1863-64	56,090 00	147	372	892	36	83
33--1864-65	94,403 17	227	429	2,141	57	130
34--1865-66	105,936 25	312	378	4,151	89	158
35--1866-67	144,184 46	391	406	7,236	132	233
36--1867-68	139,060 44	326	352	6,712	106	207
37--1868-69	130,877 23	266	301	4,424	64	183
38--1869-70	177,878 90	301	321	3,840	70	184
39--1870-71	197,071 30	338	491	4,038	90	195
40--1871-72	186,251 29	414	500	6,029	160	259
41--1872-73	210,660 07	435	484	4,910	166	278
42--1873-74	221,272 97	329	362	2,264	113	187
43--1874-75	198,343 98	324	358	2,100	92	198
44--1875-76	177,876 62	254	300	2,036	65	159
45--1876-77	159,032 94	225	256	1,581	60	163
46--1877-78	126,463 91	213	250	1,834	36	149

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RESULTS.—Continued.

SOCIETY'S YEAR.	Contributions and Legacies.	No. of Missionaries	Churches and Stations Supplied.	Baptisms Reported.	Churches Organized	Years of Labor.
47—1878-79	\$115,083 38	238	274	1,172	42	157
48—1879-80	122,419 21	277	836	1,160	67	175
49—1880-81	193,373 24	390	1,202	1,304	61	236
50—1881-82	311,918 48	512	1,460	1,675	75	318
51—1882-83	226,914 76	607	1,762	2,515	152	406
52—1883-84	369,302 51	636	1,599	2,949	145	404
53—1884-85	315,245 53	702	1,628	3,317	139	464
54—1885-86	326,279 09	676	1,512	3,396	140	442
55—1886-87	523,623 82	678	1,385	3,300	129	447
56—1887-88	551,595 92	743	1,594	2,886	137	475
57—1888-89	296,461 53	790	1,795	3,646	181	526
58—1889-90	360,414 15	833	1,659	3,834	163	541
59—1890-91	213,586 62	948	1,828	4,523	199	603
60—1891-92	318,986 06	1,053	2,018	4,335	119	669
61—1892-93	315,961 78	1,082	2,035	5,743	136	715
62—1893-94	333,137 61	1,111	2,221	5,998	149	682
63—1894-95	355,157 75	1,100	1,933	6,192	150	716
64—1895-96	394,729 10	1,147	2,015	6,258	187	713
65—1896-97	320,534 93	1,064	1,775	4,916	137	722
66—1897-98	318,176 25	1,030	1,591	5,022	150	689
67—1898-99	384,676 64	1,092	1,807	3,325	57	720
68—1899-00	322,285 30	1,180	1,776	4,442	76	777
Totals..	10,133,642.18			164,334	5,386	16,847

HAVE YOU MADE A WILL?

It will not shorten your life to make it. Nobody knows as well as yourself upon whom you would wish to settle your estate. Perhaps there are claims which your Lord and Redeemer has upon the final disposition of it. There may be ignorance which you ought to be enlightening; souls may be souls in the shadow and darkness of death whom you should do something to lift up into light.

Do not write your own will unless you are a lawyer. Better a few dollars spent for legal than that your estate be ravaged by litigation. Let your lawyer be sure that names of institutions remembered be written with absolute correctness. We hope you are disposed to remember this Society. For our Colored Schools we need endowment funds which, over and over, through successive generations, shall be made to do the work of instructing teachers and preachers. We need funds for the support and enlargement of our general missionary work among the weak and destitute; we urgently need funds for the Benevolent Department of our Church Edifice work. Remember us. You are giving to these causes now, give when you are dead.

EXAMPLE BEQUEST TO THE SOCIETY — I give and bequeath to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, formed in New York in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two, the sum of ——— for the general purposes of said Society.

Bequests for special features of the Society's work should be properly expressed in the will thus: "For the Freedmen's Work of the Society", "For Endowment Fund for Christian Schools among the Negroes and the Indians", "For the Maintenance of Students for the Ministry in schools for the Negroes and the Indians", "For the Benevolent Department of the Church Edifice Fund."

The following form of attestation by three witnesses, who should write against their names their places of residence, will answer for every State in the Union: "Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said A. B. as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who at the request of the said A. B. and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses." A certificate must be attested in the same manner. In some States it is required that charitable bequests should be made at least two months before the death of the testator.

Do You Prefer to be Your Own Executor?

This Society will receive your money, designated for the purpose you name, and will invest it, and if you so desire will pay you an annuity for it while you live—the Society to hold and use it after your decease. The Society holds large amounts in trust in this precise form. It gives to the donor a bond which makes a safe and guaranteed investment during his life. This there will be no contest over your will when you are gone, as I am, certainly about your gift reaching its destination.

Factors and others who know of bequests to the Society are especially requested to inform the Corresponding Secretary of the facts as soon as practicable, giving names of testator, executor, and surrogate if possible, and any other facts of importance. Sometimes through neglect or other causes, information concerning bequests reaches us long after the death of the testator, and sometimes, it is believed, not at all. Such gifts are stored, and every Christian is interested in having them secured and added to the work designated.

Letters should make drafts, checks, and Post-office orders payable to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and can send their contributions to the District Secretary or General Missionary for their district.

The payment of \$50 makes one a member for life. Churches frequently constitute their pastors life Members so that whenever they attend the meeting of the Society they have a voice in its deliberations.

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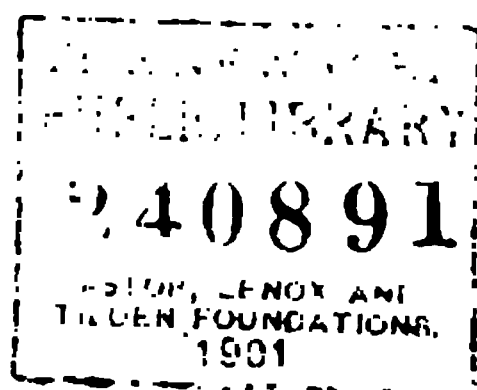
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executive would permit, and there is no debt to embarrass the future. Let us thank God and take courage.

The present session is of special interest on account of the presence of so many of your former presiding officers, who are here to add dignity and weight to your deliberations.

It is furthermore of interest because of the importance of the special questions to be considered, chief among which we count the report of your able committee on the relation of the Societies in the execution of their work. It is furthermore of special interest because of the importance of the work which is crowding upon us with its great opportunities and pressing necessities.

It is not for me to anticipate in anyway the action which you may take upon the report of your Committee. Permit me, however, to suggest some tendencies incident to human nature which create conditions under which our work must be carried on, and which must be taken into account in any discussion of the subject.

There is first the tendency toward officialism or the predominance of machinery over individuality. Experience creates usage, and usage crystallizes into organization. Long-standing precedents are not readily changed, and sometimes demand that the work should be adjusted to the organization rather than the machinery to the workers.

Again there are the difficulties of environment or peculiarities arising from the breadth of our territory and the largeness and varying conditions of our constituency. With the marvelous growth of our country and the kaleidoscopic changes of its population, these are constantly on the increase. In addition to Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Chicago, we have the growing cities of the central and further West lifting their voices in a growing diapason of progress.

We do not read of missionary societies in the early church until home mission work began with the appointment of the seven deacons. The necessity for them did not then exist, for at the first each believer went everywhere preaching the Word at his own charges. But as the Word of the Lord grew, and churches were multiplied, the Holy Ghost sent forth foreign missionaries from Antioch, and it was they who took up the first systematic collection, and it was for home mission work at Jerusalem. A simple proceeding, but a large part of the book of the Acts and of the Epistles is taken up with what came of it, and it has blazed a way through ecclesiastical history down to the present time.

Let us suppose that with the Home Mission Society at Jerusalem, the Missionary Union had been organized at Antioch. The strong Baptist center at Capernaum, where the numerous, opulent and consecrated family of Zebadee were ever ready to lay the profits of their fishing nets at the Apostles' feet, would doubtless have organized the Publication Society to circulate the Gospels and Epistles throughout Galilee and the other side of Jordan, while at Cæsarea the four prophesying daughters of Philip would have looked after woman's work in that important commercial metropolis of the West, with these and a few State conventions through Judea, Samaria, Galilee and beyond Jordan thrown in, think you not my brethren that when the saints came together there would have been other questions than those of the Mosaic Law to discuss? Would they not have had their problems of representation, and chapel cars, and agencies and designated funds to settle? After all, have we not learned some things since the time of the Apostles? "For we have this treasure in earthen vessels that the excellency of the power may be of God."

But greater than all these are the dangers of *apathy*. It is true that many of the enrolled members of our churches find excuse for withholding their givings in the multiplicity of calls and the bewilderment arising from conflicting claims, but after eliminating all these, the fact remains that far too few give with any system, fewer still with that prayerful understanding which makes Christian giving the soul of worship. "Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God."

The causes for this may be found in the lack of proper education from the pulpit, of training at home and from the many engrossments of the busy life of the day. Some will say that it arises in part at least from the lack of interest which comes from a sense of responsibility and control, but the greatest cause will be found in the fact that in these days of easy convictions and thirst for gain, the God of this world is blinding the eyes of many who are looking away from the mark of the prize of their high calling. Where there is an intelligent faith and a consecrated life there will be no lack of funds for mission work; whenever there is a flagging of interest in missions it is a sign that the well-springs of piety are running low in the churches.

What shall be the remedy.

First let us keep as close as possible in touch with our constituency, which consists of believing souls organized into Gospel

hurches, and walking in all the laws and ordinances of the Gospel, blameless.

The work which we do is the Lord's business, and is to be carried on in due measure by each one of his faithful servants standing in his place, and we who hold official position are their servants for Jesus' sake. Let the claims and needs of this work be pressed upon each believing heart, always remembering that the cause of missions is one, neither home nor foreign, but world-wide.

The providence of God is opening up the highway for a world-wide evangelization. The heathen are thronging our great cities and coming to our very doors, while the lives of Christians, real and professed, are as an open book before the eyes of all the world. The lines are drawn, the conflict is upon us, we cannot escape the issue. The appeal must be to the living truth that if our Gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost, and that the witness of the Gospel must be found in the lives of believers.

"And his servants shall serve Him, for they shall see His face, and His name shall be in their foreheads."

When Jesus sat over against the treasury and beheld how the people cast money therein, it was not the large gifts which most won his attention but the smallest of the small, prompted by a living faith and a consecrated heart. The gift of the poor widow left her no poorer, but rich, indeed, for the Master of Assemblies balanced the account and audited the books upon the spot, and placed it to the credit upon the records of Heaven.

The terms of the great commission are our missionary endowment, and the small gifts of the many are most welcome to the Master.

"For the joy of the Lord is your strength."

O, Master, let me walk with thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me thy secret, help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.
Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear winning word of love.
Teach me the wayward feet to stay
And guide them in the homeward way.
Teach me thy patience, still with thee
In closer, dearer company.
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong.
In trust that triumphs over wrong.
In hope that sends a shining ray

Far down the future's broadening way.
In peace that only Thou can'st give
With thee, O Master, let me live.

(3) Solo: Miss Mabel A. Humphreys, of Springfield.

(4) The male quartet from Shaw University, consisting of **M**essrs. J. W. Walker, Craig Williams, A. J. Christian, and E. R. **C**arter, sang "Abide with Me."

(5) Secretary Morgan presented the report of the Executive **B**oard, calling attention to its salient features.

(6) The Treasurer, Frank R. Hathaway, presented his report.

(7) The Shaw quartet sang "Steal away to Jesus."

(8) Voted to adopt the reports of Treasurer and the Ex-**e**cutive Board as presented.

(9) The Chairman nominated, and the Society confirmed, the **f**ollowing committees:

Committee on Enrollment.—Rev. C. H. Pendleton, of New **J**ersey; Rev. S. C. Fulmer, of Indiana; Rev. D. D. Proper, of **I**owa; Rev. A. Coit, of New York; Rev. F. B. Cressy, of Massa-**ch**usetts; Rev. A. W. Hand, of Connecticut; Rev. W. G. Jones, **o**f Washington.

Committee on Nominations.—Rev. H. M. King, of Rhode **I**sland; Rev. H. S. Burrage, of Maine; Rev. Frank Dixon, of **C**onnecticut; Rev. W. S. Roberts, of Vermont; Rev. B. D. Hahn, **o**f Massachusetts; E. J. Brockett, Esq., of New Jersey; Rev. **E**. M. Poteat, of Pennsylvania; W. H. Doane, Esq., of Ohio; **R**ev. C. M. Carter, of Indiana; Rev. L. S. Bowerman, of Wash-**i**ngton; Rev. L. A. Crandall, of Illinois.

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(10) Rev. L. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, addressed the So-
ciety on "Our Mission to Roman Catholics."

(11) Secretary Morgan read a letter from Nelson E. Blake,
ex-President of the Society, regretting his absence, and then

moved, and the Society voted, that messages of fraternal greeting be sent to the three ex-Presidents who are not present at this session.

The following was sent to Samuel A. Crozer, Esq., of Pennsylvania; Robert O. Fuller, of Massachusetts, and Nelson E. Blake, of Massachusetts: "The Home Mission Society, regretting the necessity of your absence, sends to you its expression of honor, and love, and appreciation."

Signed by Recording Secretary.

(12) Singing: Doxology.

Benediction by President Alvah Hovey, of Newton Theological Seminary.

FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 24TH.

(13) Society was called to order in the meeting-house of the Highland Avenue Church by the President at 10 A.M.

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

Singing.

Psalm 25 was read by Rev. H. F. Stilwell, of Minnesota.

Prayer was offered by Rev. George C. Lorimer, of Massachusetts.

Singing: "Nearer, My God, to Thee."

(14) Rev. E. B. Palmer, District Secretary, presented an address on "A Visit to Porto Rico."

Singing.

(15) Secretary Morgan read the following communication:

"The Council of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, learning that their respected colleague, the Rev. J. M. Gwynne-Owen, pastor of the Hagley Road Baptist Church, Birmingham, will shortly visit America, hereby commission him to convey to their American brethren cordial greetings, and the expression of their thankfulness to God for the marked and remarkable success with which the enterprises and labors of the Baptists have been crowned during the last hundred years, and they commend Mr. Owen to them as an able and faithful minister of the Lord Jesus Christ, who has rendered many and varied services in furthering the extension of the Kingdom of our

Redeemer, and especially in promoting union and fellowship and co-operation between all evangelical denominations," and introduced Brother Gwynne-Owen, who spoke briefly his message of greeting.

The following communication was presented by Secretary Morgan:

"At the Assembly of the Baptist Union, held at Leicester on Wednesday, October 3d, on the motion of the Rev. William Cuff, and seconded by Dr. Maclaren, the following resolution was unanimously and cordially adopted:

"That a cordial invitation be sent from the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland to the Baptist Unions of the United States and the colonies, to send representatives to the Autumn Assembly at Edinburgh in 1901."

(Signed) "J. H. SHAKESPEARE, *Secretary*."

It was voted that any member of the Society who finds it convenient to visit the meetings of this union will be furnished letters of introduction, and commissioned as our messengers, upon application to Secretary Morgan, at the rooms in New York.

(16) Rev. Wm. M. Lawrence, of Illinois, addressed the Society on "Home Missions in the Twentieth Century."

(17) Rev. J. M. Waldron, pastor of a Baptist church, Jacksonville, Fla., stated the needs of that church, whose meeting-house had been destroyed in the recent conflagration there.

Singing: "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

(18) Benediction by Rev. C. Coon, of New York.

AFTERNOCN SESSION.

(19) The President called the Society to order at 2 P. M.

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

Psalm 72 was read by the President.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. P. Hellings, of New York.

(20) Singing by the Shaw quartet.

(21) Address by Rev. J. N. Williams, of R. I., on "Historical Sketch of Missions among the French."

(22) Address by Rev. L. A. Coté, of Massachusetts, on "The Mission Work in Canada."

(23) Address by Rev. P. N. Cayer, of Maine, on "Hindrances and Methods."

(24) Address by Rev. Arthur St. James, of Massachusetts, on "The Present Outlook."

(25) Rev. Robert S. MacArthur, of New York, introduced Rev. S. H. Lee, President of the French-American College in Springfield, who gave an account of the college; its origin and growth, and extended an invitation to members of the Society to visit the institution.

Singing.

(26) Address: Rev. W. H. Sloan, of Mexico, on "Mission Work in Mexico," followed by a brief commendation of the Mexican work, by Rev. R. S. MacArthur, of New York.

(27) Rev. R. S. MacArthur presented a resolution on the opening of the Buffalo Exposition, which was adopted:

Resolved: That the American Baptist Home Mission Society, now in session in the city of Springfield, Mass., profoundly deprecate the fact that the Board of Directors of the Pan-American Exposition have seen fit to open the gates of said exposition to visitors from 1 to 11 P.M. on the Lord's Day; and do solemnly and earnestly protest against this action as being opposed to the best traditions and interests of American institutions and civilization; and they do earnestly urge the said Board of Directors to reconsider their action in this matter, and henceforth close the gates to visitors all the hours of each Lord's Day during the continuance of this exposition.

(28) Rev. H. M. King, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations presented the following report:

For officers 1901-2:

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New York; Mortimer J. Ennis, Esq., New York; Stephen H.
Plum, Esq., New Jersey; Rev. John Humpstone, New York.

He also stated that the Treasurer, Frank R. Hathaway, had
resigned at the May meeting of the Board, and that the Committee
were not able to present an acceptable name at the time. In
behalf of the committee he therefore made the following motion,
which was voted: "That the vacancy occasioned by the resigna-
tion of Mr. Frank R. Hathaway, Treasurer, be referred to the
Executive Board, to be filled by them."

The persons named by the Committee on Nominations were
elected as nominated.

(29) Rev. L. A. Crandall, of Illinois, presented the report of
the committee appointed last year on co-ordination.

The Commission begs leave to submit the following:

First—It is the judgment of this Commission that the best
interests of our work as a denomination require that the annual
gatherings of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, the
American Baptist Missionary Union and the American Baptist
Publication Society should be representative and delegated bodies,
having the same basis of representation, so that the delegates to
the three societies shall be, so far as possible, identical.

As a step necessary toward this end we recommend that the
several societies, after mutual consultation through their ex-
ecutive boards, change their constitution so as to require the same
qualifications of voters at their anniversaries, and that such con-
stitutional change be submitted for definite action at the anniver-
saries in 1902.

Second—We suggest that there be a mid-year conference of
the executive boards of the American Baptist Missionary Union,
the American Baptist Home Mission Society, the American Bap-
tist Publication Society and the Women's Societies, in the interest
of a completer co-operation in the collection of the offerings and
the prosecution of the work in the field. Contact invites co-
operation; separation retards it. "Not looking each of you to his
own things, but each of you also to the things of others" is ap-
plicable in denominational benevolent work as well as in other

departments of life. We feel sure that such conferences, used rarely in the past and then for removing a difficulty or clearing up some misunderstanding, would be productive of great good in the conduct of our entire work.

Third—We recommend the appointment of a committee of nine by the bodies to which we report, to take into consideration the whole matter of our collection agencies and work of our district secretaries of the three main societies to report at the anniversaries in May, 1902.

Respectfully submitted, in behalf of the Commission,

STEPHEN GREENE, *Chairman*.

L. A. CRANDALL, *Secretary*.

Voted, That the report of the Committee on Co-ordination, and the record of the proceedings of the joint mass meeting held yesterday afternoon be received. That we instruct our Executive Board to confer with the Boards of the other Societies, with respect to a uniform qualification for voters, and to submit, at the annual meeting of these Societies in 1902, such recommendation as they may deem necessary for that purpose. That the Board be further directed to confer with the Boards of the other Societies, and with their concurrence to hold a mid-year conference as recommended, and that they be further instructed to appoint our quota of members for the committee on collection agencies and work of the district secretaries.

(30) The Committee on Resolutions made its report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

1. RESOLVED, That our devout gratitude is due to our Father in Heaven, for His providential guidance, and for the influences of His holy spirit in the hearts of His people, prompting them to generous contributions during the past year, and bringing to the Society continuous prosperity in all its work; that we should not, however, make the freedom from debt any excuse for an unprogressive benevolence, but rather an opportunity and stimulus for such enlarged giving as the increased financial prosperity of our country, and of our church members, manifestly allows.

2. RESOLVED, That the work among the Indians takes on new importance, from the fact that the national government has withdrawn all aid from the so-called "contract schools." and is giving

greatly increased attention to the public education of the Indian children. The Bureau of Indian Affairs, and all who are laboring among this people, are ready to join with us in affirming that only the thorough Christianizing of the Indians can meet their deepest needs and fit them for the new relations of citizenship and society into which they are entering. The work we have done among them is most gratifying, and is widely recognized, but the work that still remains to be done, for their salvation and for their national life, is no less imperative and urgent.

3. RESOLVED, That, in view of the rapidly increasing dimensions of the work to be done among the Negro people of our South-land, and the rapidly developing forces which must seriously affect the social and religious character of the future, we emphasize the need for a completer endowment of our Southern schools, that the annual offerings from the churches be more largely available for a wider missionary work.

4. RESOLVED, That the work of our Society among the foreign population constantly grows in magnitude and importance. It demands a special emphasis here, because it so deeply emphasizes itself. The millions that come to us from Europe and Asia, and from the islands of the sea, are reinforced by the multitudes that we are gathering to us by the extension of our national boundaries. They must be transformed from aliens to citizens, and they, like all others, must be brought under the saving power of the gospel of Christ. No feature of our work in the great cities of the East, and in the great commonwealths of the West and Northwest, more commends itself to our people at large or is more productive of the most beneficent results. There can be no fear of doing too much in this direction, for the needs and the opportunities are beyond the utmost of our resources.

5. RESOLVED, That we express hereby our warm appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the pastor and members of Highland Avenue Baptist Church, to the other Baptist Churches of Springfield, and to all who may have been associated with them in the work, for the generous entertainment and thoughtful attentions which have been received by us during our stay in this city; also to the railroads, the hotels, the daily newspapers, and other institutions and persons who have contributed so much to our comfort and satisfaction.

HENRY F. COLBY,
LEMUEL MOSS,
A. J. ROWLAND,
H. F. STILWELL.

(31) Invitations for the meetings in 1902 were received from Indianapolis and St. Paul, the latter being reinforced by endorsements from the ministers' conference of Milwaukee, Minneapolis, the Minneapolis association, and the State conventions of Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, and Kansas and Colorado. Voted to refer the matter to the Executive Board.

(32) The Enrollment Committee reported as follows: Life members present, 131; annual members, 26; delegates, 463; visitors, 35; total, 655.

(33) Voted, that any unfinished business remaining over from this session be referred to the Executive Board.

(34) Benediction by Rev. A. J. Rowland, of Pennsylvania.

EVENING SESSION.

(35) Society called to order at 7.45 by the president.

Devotional Exercises.—Scripture, Rev. E. N. Poteat, of Pennsylvania; prayer, Rev. C. W. Chamberlin, of Massachusetts.

(36) Secretary Morgan introduced Rev. Joseph A. Booker, of Little Rock, Ark., and Professor N. W. Collier, Jacksonville, Fla.

(37) Address by Professor J. E. Jones, of Virginia Union University.

Singing by the Shaw Quartet.

(38) Address by Rev. Wallace Buttrick, of Albany, on our schools in the South.

Adjourned.

(39) On Sunday, May 26th, three great union meetings were held in the City Hall. In the morning the annual missionary sermon was preached by Rev. Emory W. Hunt, of Massachusetts; in the afternoon there were addresses by Rev. E. E. Chivers, of New York; Rev. C. A. Barbour, of New York; Rev. Spencer B. Meeser, of Massachusetts, and Rev. Raymond M. West, of Pennsylvania; in the evening addresses were given by Rev. John Humpstone, of New York, and Rev. E. M. Poteat, of Pennsylvania.

ALVAH S. HOBART,

Recording Secretary.

Springfield, Mass., May 24, 1901.

THE SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE
American Baptist Home Mission Society.

PRESENTED AT SPRINGFIELD, MASS., MAY 23, 1901.

The Executive Board submits to the American Baptist Home Mission Society its Sixty-ninth Annual Report for the year ending March 31, 1901. It includes reports from the Treasurer, the Field Secretary, District Secretaries, Superintendents of Missions, General Missionaries, Educational Agents, together with statistical tables.

OBITUARY.

Rev. James French, D.D., died at Ocean Grove, August 27, 1900, at the age of 85. He served the Society in New York as District Secretary and General Missionary from 1865 to 1870; in Colorado from 1872 to 1881; and was General Missionary for Colorado, Kansas, Wyoming and New Mexico, 1879-81.

Rev. J. P. Thompson, a faithful and efficient Choctaw Indian missionary, died suddenly on Tuesday, November 27, 1900, at the age of 45. He was the ablest of the Choctaw preachers, and will be greatly missed.

Rev. John W. Crooks, General Missionary for Colorado, died at Monte Vista, Monday, January 7, 1901. He was of English birth, but pursued his theological studies at the seminary at Morgan Park, Ill. He rendered faithful service as pastor at

Broken Bow, Neb., as District Missionary for Northwestern Nebraska, and as District Missionary for Minnesota, and afterwards as pastor at Iowa Falls. His work in Colorado was characterized by great industry, zeal and good judgment.

Rev. O. J. Redmon, a recent graduate of Rochester Theological Seminary, died at Lewiston, Idaho, March 10, 1901.

I. FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

We began the year with a debt of \$32,200.90. The receipts for the year have been sufficient to liquidate the debt, meet all current expenses on an enlarged scale, and leave in the treasury a small balance of \$203.41. This result has been made possible by unusually large receipts from legacies, amounting in all to \$159,323.65, which is nearly \$50,000 more than the annual average for the last ten years; \$145,119.01 of the total receipts from legacies was available for current expenses; of this amount \$68,666.66 came from the estate of the late Daniel S. Ford. The following table shows the receipts and expenditures from all sources and for all purposes.

The aggregate, \$706,833.67, does not represent the entire financial transactions in the treasury; if to this be added the amount of money returned to the treasury from loans, the aggregate of receipts exceeds one million dollars. This will give some idea of the magnitude of the business transacted by the Treasury Department.

RECEIPTS.

Contributions have been received from forty-eight States and Territories, and from Alaska, Ontario, Cuba, Mexico and Porto Rico.

The total receipts for the year, from all sources, and for all the purposes of the Society, both general and special, have been \$684,610.71.

These may be classified as follows:

I.—For General Purposes—

1. Contributions of Churches, Sunday Schools and Individuals.....	\$249,723.77	
2. School Surplus.....	4,896.90	
3. Legacies	145,119.01	
4. *Annuity Funds, released by death of donors.....	13,102.90	
5. *Conditional Funds, released by death of donors.....	875.00	
6. Income on Invested Funds.....	41,011.23	
7. Income from Publications.....	3,090.12	
8. Sale of Real Estate.....	179.86	
9. Miscellaneous	41.67	
	<hr/>	\$458,040.55

II.—For Special Purposes—

1. Designated for Schools.....	126,319.08	
2. For other purposes.....	1,111.72	
3. *Annuity Funds, released by death of annuitant, for Virginia Union University	7,500.00	
4. Sale of Real Estate.....	1,050.00	
	<hr/>	135,980.80
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		594,021.35

III.—For Permanent Trust Fund—

1. Contributions	1,135.00	
2. Legacies	3,967.63	
	<hr/>	5,102.63

IV.—For Annuity Fund—

1. Contributions	32,672.50	
2. Legacies	2,323.66	
3. Increase in Invested Fund.....	900.61	
	<hr/>	35,896.77

* Reported in previous years among donations for Annuity and Conditional fund.

V.—For Conditional Fund—

1. Contributions	134.81	
2. Legacies	1,773.35	
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VI.—For Church Edifice Funds—

1. Contributions:		
(a) For Gift Fund.....	26,149.71	
(b) For Loan Fund.....	843.00	
2. Legacies, For Gift Fund.....	6,140.00	
3. Income on Invested Funds:		
(a) For Gift Fund.....	7,701.61	
(b) For Loan Fund.....	5,781.48	
4. Realized from former Gifts.....	1,366.00	
	<hr/>	47.981.52

Total Receipts		\$684,910.12
Balance in the Treasury at the beginning of the year:		
General Fund, Designated.....	9,643.48	
Church Edifice Gift Fund.....	12,279.48	
	<hr/>	21,922.96
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		\$706.833.08

DISBURSEMENTS.

I.—For General Purposes—

1. Missions		211,710.41
2. Education		103,965.00
3. General Superintendents.....	9,037.53	
4. District Secretaries	26,540.07	
5. Home Office	16,046.24	
6. Publication Account	5,169.60	
7. Miscellaneous Expenses	11,164.34	
	<hr/>	\$67,957.78
Less amount paid by Church Edifice Funds.....	5,000.00	
	<hr/>	62,957.78
8. Real Estate	222.43	
9. Interest	12,341.38	
10. Annuities	22,318.34	
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		\$413,516.00

1. Investments		1,800.00	
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		415,316.00	
2. Debt		32,200.90	
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		447,516.90	
<i>II.—For Special Purposes—</i>			
Construction and Equipment of School Buildings		147,297.77	
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		594,814.67	
<i>III.—For Church Edifice Funds—</i>			
Gifts to Churches.....	16,440.12		
Expenses:			
(a) Gift Fund.....	3,176.71		
(b) Loan Fund.....	3,811.01		
	<hr/>	23,427.84	
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		618,242.51	
Transferred.....		9,950.00	
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Total Disbursements		\$628,192.51	
Added to Permanent Trust Fund...	5,102.63		
Added to Annuity Fund.....	35,896.77		
Added to Conditional Fund.....	1,908.16		
	<hr/>	42,907.56	
Less decrease in Loan Fund.....	7,136.53		
	<hr/>	35,771.03	
Cash in Treasury:			
General Fund, available.....	203.41		
Designated	8,646.75		
Church Edifice Gift Fund, designated	22,676.41		
Available	11,343.56		
	<hr/>	42,870.13	
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		\$706,833.67	

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.

For years ending March 31,

	1899,	1900,	1901.
1. From churches, Sunday Schools, and individuals	\$225,242 90	\$249,883 24	\$249,723 77
2. School surplus	809 18	1,494 28	4,896 99
3. Legacies	33,952 54	32,581 45	145,119 01
4. Annuities released	89,752 81	13,600 00	13,102 90
5. Income on invested funds.....	40,081 04	39,521 20	41,011 23
6. Publication account	3,292 17	3,143 79	3,090 12
7. Miscellaneous			1,096 53
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	\$393,130 64	\$340,223 96	\$458,040 55
Annual average			\$397,131 71

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

The following table gives the districts and the names and addresses of the Secretaries:

1. NEW ENGLAND.—F. T. Hazelwood, D.D., Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
2. NEW YORK.—Dwight Spencer, D.D., 111 Fifth Avenue, New York City.
3. PHILADELPHIA.—E. B. Palmer, D.D., 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.
4. LAKE.—E. H. E. Jameson, D.D., 106 Smith avenue, Detroit, Mich.
5. WABASH.—Rev. S. C. Fulmer, 908 East Fifteenth street, Indianapolis, Ind.
6. CHICAGO.—J. B. Thomas, D.D., Monon Building, 324 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.
7. UPPER MISSISSIPPI.—O. A. Williams, D.D., 702 Lumber Exchange, Minneapolis, Minn.
8. CENTRAL.—Rev. D. D. Proper, 1190 Eleventh street, Des Moines, Ia.
9. PACIFIC.—C. A. Woody, D.D., 175 Fourth street, Portland, Ore.
10. KANAWHA.—W. E. Powell, D.D., Parkersburg, W. Va.
11. MISSOURI.—Manley J. Breaker, D.D., St. Louis, Mo., Financial Agent for Home and Foreign Mission Work of Baptists, both North and South.

The reports of the Secretaries follow:

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT.

FRANCIS T. HAZLEWOOD, D.D., BOSTON, MASS., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

have the honor to present my report for the fiscal year 1900-1901 :
 he total from all sources is larger than in any other year, save one.

I have been in the service of the Society, and has yielded the largest
 nt for one year, free from all conditions and available for the work of
 Society during all that time.

rom the magnificent gift of Daniel Sharp Ford by legacy we have
 ved a considerable sum, and happily free from all inheritance tax.
 re executors of his will, Hon. William A. Munroe, Seth Mendeil and
 Henry Hinckley, we are indebted for a wise and timely management
 e estate, so that it was possible for us to realize at this time of need
 onsiderable sum of \$68,666.66 as the first payment from the residuum,
 hich the Society is to receive in all a full sixth.

is a pleasure to recount the uniform courtesy of the constituency of
 Society throughout the New England District. Pastors and members
 urches alike have welcomed the cause, and in many ways sought to
 ote its interests. Churches that were pastorless the year before have
 r the strong leadership of the men called to the succession, increased
 ly the amount of their gifts for Home Missions.

here has been a considerable loss from the number of individual help-
 oy the inroads of death, and the fact that the living have felt the
 ation of the emergency in the raising of a considerable sum of money
 our educational institutions. In Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont,
 achusetts, and Rhode Island this has been a year of sturdy effort to
 e endowments for academies, colleges, and theological institutions,
 bid these grand enterprises a hearty God-speed, and rejoice that we
 been able to gather so much as we have, and at the same time not
 the way of endeavors so worthy of hospitality and support.

The following is the financial statement for the year :

l contributions from the churches.....	\$30,337 41
l contributions from individuals.....	16,426 67
l contributions from Sunday Schools.....	915 51
l contributions from Young People's Societies.....	628 86
l legacies	114,680 11
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l from all sources.....	\$162,988 56
l from all sources last year.....	147,838 51
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Increase this year.....	\$15,150 05
l from churches this year.....	\$30,337 41

Total from churches last year.....	28,082 43
Increase this year.....	\$2,254 98
Total from individuals last year.....	\$40,786 25
Total from individuals this year.....	16,426 67
Decrease this year.....	\$24,359 58
Total from Sunday Schools last year.....	\$1,396 87
Total from Sunday Schools this year.....	915 51
Decrease this year.....	\$481 36
Total from Young People's Societies last year.....	\$673 84
Total from Young People's Societies this year.....	628 86
Decrease this year.....	\$44 98
Total from legacies this year.....	\$114,680 11
Total from legacies last year.....	76,899 12
Increase this year.....	\$37,780 99
Of the contributions from individuals there were for Condi- tional Trust Funds last year.....	\$28,250 00
This year	8,423 66
Decrease this year.....	\$19,826 34
Of the gifts by legacy there were last year for Permanent Trust Funds	\$68,230 08
This year	2,808 65
Decrease this year	\$65,421 43

NEW YORK DISTRICT.

NEW YORK AND NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, DWIGHT SPENCER, D.D., NEW YORK CITY, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The receipt of \$247,814.83 for the work of the Home Mission Society last year is a cause for devout gratitude to God, and should occasion joy to all those who, through their contributions or personal efforts, have helped bring about the grand result.

The different items making up this large amount will appear in the following table:

NEW JERSEY, 99 CHURCHES.

60 Churches gave	\$5,210 15
12 Sunday Schools	250 39

4 Young People's Societies	72 80	
18 Individuals	881 50	
1 Legacy amounted to.....	1,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,914 84

NEW YORK, 961 CHURCHES.

585 Churches gave	\$27,584 49	
98 Sunday Schools	1,172 83	
49 Young People's Societies	822 98	
3 Women's Societies	49 01	
74 Individuals	182,032 64	
21 Legacies amounted to	14,451 23	
16 Annuity and trust fund gifts.....	13,786 75	
	<hr/>	\$239,899 99
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		\$247,814 83
Total amount received last year.....		163,699 95
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Gain this year		\$84,114 88

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT FOR NEW YORK.

546 Churches contributed last year.....	\$26,464 32	
585 Churches contributed this year.....	27,584 49	
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39 Gain this year		\$1,120 17
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137 Sunday Schools contributed last year.....	\$1,424 62	
98 Sunday Schools contributed this year.....	1,172 83	
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39 Decrease this year		\$251 79
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68 Young People's Societies gave last year.....	\$1,134 65	
49 Young People's Societies gave this year.....	822 98	
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19 Decrease this year		\$311 67
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7 Women's Societies gave last year.....	\$141 92	
3 Women's Societies gave this year.....	\$49 01	
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4 Decrease this year.....		\$92 91
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122 Individuals gave last year.....	\$70,229 64	

74 Individuals gave this year.....	182,032 64	
Gain this year		\$111,803 00
17 Legacies last year amounted to.....	\$18,191 53	
21 Legacies this year amounted to.....	14,451 23	
Loss this year		\$3,740 30
Annuity and trust funds last year.....	\$ 10,749 50	
Annuity and trust funds this year.....	13,786 75	
Gain this year.....		\$3,037 25

From these figures it will be seen that there has been a falling off in the receipts from Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies. This is accounted for by the change in the Society's plan for reaching these organizations. For some years the plan had been to make appeals to them for help in building chapels, and for aid in the work upon new and needy fields. Last year the Society adopted the plan recommended by the Commission on Systematic Benevolence, and instead of making special appeals, urged both Sunday School and Young People's Societies to contribute to the different societies at the same time as the church. It is believed that, though this change may occasion a temporary loss of income, the benefit that will come to the children and young people through education in missionary work, and the duty of giving systematically for this work will greatly add to their efficiency as Christian workers, and in the end bring larger returns to the Lord's treasury.

It will also be seen that there are still some four hundred churches that either give only occasionally or not at all. A fruitful cause of this neglect is found in the fact that these churches have never adopted a plan of benevolence. Those that give fitfully, do so under the impulse given them by some agent who represents a cause, not infrequently unworthy, and their money is either lost or diverted into undenominational channels, while their own missionaries laboring in different parts of the country are hampered in their work through lack of means, proper support, or for the means to provide such buildings and equipments as are needed for its successful prosecution.

The secretary began to correspond with, and visit, these churches as soon as he began work, and whenever a church was gained, its name was placed in the list of regular contributors, and, thereafter notified of the fact year after year. In this way the number of non-contributors has been reduced from thirty to forty each year, and it is believed that, by following this plan, nearly the whole number will be transferred from the list of no givers to that of "cheerful givers."

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT: PENNSYLVANIA, SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY,

DELAWARE, MARYLAND, AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

E. B. PALMER, D.D., PHILADELPHIA, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

Special effort has been made to bring the heretofore non-contributing churches into active support of the Society with the opening of the new century. We are glad to report favorable results, although not as complete as could be desired. The fact is, there is a large number of churches so small and weak that they will never take on an aggressive spirit until by some means they are nurtured into more vigorous life. They seem to have no realization of the great blessings that would come to them by hearty alliance with the great missionary movement of our time.

As to general conditions there are not a few encouraging features. There is with many pastors an interest growing in breadth and intensity. A desire is manifest to realize larger results; a growing disposition to adopt better methods in order to increase the number of contributors and stimulate those already giving to larger beneficence. These are all hopeful signs. In the Northumberland Association, by a combined movement among the pastors, led by Rev. J. H. Haslam, there was held in the First Church, Williamsport, a New Century Missionary Conference, in February last. Not a few of the laymen in our churches are also interesting themselves at no little cost of time and effort to augment a benevolent spirit. All this is acknowledged with gratitude, and we desire to express our high appreciation of the assistance thus rendered.

Yet, when all these encouraging elements are taken into account, it must be acknowledged that the advance in benevolence is not what it should be. There are yet too many pastors who make little, if any, effort to cultivate the grace of giving, and many churches in which the ruling spirits do not respond to appeals for the extension of the Kingdom of Christ.

The habit of giving needs to be cultivated in all, and much would be accomplished by the more general adoption of the plan suggested by the Commission on Systematic Benevolence; each group of churches having some fixed period when offerings should be made. The plan has been endorsed by direct vote in the Associations, but it cannot be a success in Pennsylvania until pastors and churches give practical attention to it. It has decided merit, and when thoroughly worked, will be productive of large results.

Mrs. William Scott resumed work in this District, in October last, and is still on the field. Her service has met with and is worthy of the highest

commendation. The Society is greatly favored in having in its employ so gifted a representative of the colored race. When during the summer she goes to another District she will be greatly missed, and the prayers of many will follow her. Prof. J. R. L. Diggs, of Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va., spent part of his vacation in Western Pennsylvania, and his work was so well done as to call forth unsolicited commendations. Rev. A. C. Osborn, D.D., President of Benedict College, attended several Associations, and his addresses were greatly enjoyed.

The benefit from these supplemental services cannot fail to be a blessing to the cause of Home Missions. We are not favored in the Home field with a constant re-inforcement of returned missionaries, such as the Foreign Mission cause always has, augmenting the work of the District Secretary by hundreds of sermons and addresses in churches and on all occasions where it is possible. While the cause of missions is one and the duty of winning the world to Christ is obligatory upon all, it is a serious question whether there is not a positive danger that the work of thoroughly evangelizing our Home field may fail to receive the emphasis that it ought to have.

The most important event that has occurred in the life of the District Secretary for the year was a visit to Porto Rico, in January last. The opportunity for observation as to the condition of affairs on the island, personal acquaintance with our missionaries, a direct knowledge of the field and the work done, were of the highest value. We were profoundly impressed with the eagerness of the people for the truth, with the manifest genuineness and sincerity of the converts, and with devotion, tact and consecrated ability of our missionary workers. Here is an open field, and an opportunity to be recognized and embraced on account of its immediate growth and its far-reaching possibilities.

The total receipts for the year from all sources are \$27,754.05. From Pennsylvania, \$21,466.86; Southern New Jersey, \$4,425.30; Delaware, \$762.08; District of Columbia, \$1,089.81; Maryland, \$10.

As compared with last year the following analysis is presented:

Total from churches this year.....	\$13,257 07
Total from churches last year.....	12,661 98
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Increase	\$595 09
Total from individuals this year.....	\$7,397 55
Total from individuals last year.....	11,275 55
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Decrease	\$3,878 00
Total from Sunday Schools this year.....	\$612 01
Total from Sunday Schools last year.....	1,473 76
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Decrease	\$261 75
Total from Young People's Societies this year.....	\$195 30
Total from Young People's Societies last year.....	324 09
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Decrease	\$138 70
Total from other organizations this year.....	\$402 58
Total from other organizations last year.....	319 81
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Increase	\$142 77
Total from annuities this year.....	\$1,000 00
Total from annuities last year.....	3,000 00
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Decrease	\$2,000 00
Total from legacies this year	\$4,820 47
Total from legacies last year.....	671 51
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Increase	\$4,157 96
Total from all sources this year.....	\$27,754 05
Total from all sources last year.....	29,730 61
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Decrease	\$1,082 56

The decrease in individual offerings this year is owing to a large offering to our educational work last year. The falling off in Sunday School offerings is due to giving up Chapel Day. Many schools, chiefly the smaller ones, had come to take special interest in the day, using the prepared program. It will, without doubt, take some time to bring these schools into active support of the Society along other lines.

In making up the list of contributing churches, those have been included that have sent an offering in the last three years, instead of those actually making offerings during the past year, as was done heretofore. The number of contributing churches in the District is 560, against 512 for 1900. Sunday Schools, 50; last year, 166. Young People's Societies, 28; last year, 29. Personal, 56; last year, 61. We give hearty welcome to the *Home Mission Bulletin*. It will fill a long felt need.

THE LAKE DISTRICT: MICHIGAN AND OHIO.

E. H. E. JAMESON, D.D., DETROIT, MICH., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

It would be a pleasure to report increased contributions from the churches and other sources in my District, but I cannot, to any appreciable extent. A few more churches may be numbered among the givers, but the

number of Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies is somewhat less, and the amount contributed is not largely increased.

At the meeting in Detroit a year ago a suggestion was made by both the Home and Foreign Mission Societies, and embodied in a resolution, for an increase of 50 per cent. to the gifts from the churches. The Secretaries put this resolution into an earnest appeal, and I have endeavored to place it before the churches of my District.

It is quite easy, however, to pass resolutions and to make appeals. "We may call spirits from the vasty deep, but will they come at our bidding?" The fact is, a majority of contributors to our benevolent work have but little, if any more, to give now than in former years. Prosperity has come to the country, 'tis true, but not largely to the general membership of our Baptist churches. A few may have realized much from mines, commerce, farm products, and happy ventures, but the greater number toil on at weekly or monthly wages, and give the tenth, or such part as they conscientiously can, without pinching their families. Some yet feel the strain of recent payments made to "special endowments" or compulsory enterprises, and feel too poor to give regularly to missions. These may be reasons why the "50 per cent." increase is not realized. The frequent changes in the pastorate may be another reason for omission in regular giving. With no pastor to direct and urge benevolences they are easily forgotten, and when the new pastor comes, he has a new plan which takes time to introduce and operate.

The Systematic Beneficence Plan is gaining, however, and bye and bye, with more contributing churches, and more enlightened givers, there may be more money.

The results of the year are the following:

MICHIGAN

189 Churches gave.....	\$3,263 62
25 Sunday Schools.....	125 14
19 Young People's Societies.....	93 44
Woman's Home Mission Society.....	412 50
Legacies	1,843 75
Individual and miscellaneous gifts.....	296 65
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Total.....	\$6,035 10
To which may be added Annuity Funds.....	\$6,000 00

OHIO

189 Churches gave.....	\$4,956 50
16 Sunday Schools.....	108 14
13 Young People's Societies.....	60 13

14 Women's Circles.....	416 44
Individual and miscellaneous gifts.....	767 26
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Total.....	\$6,308 47
Interest on legacy.....	\$3 40
Annuity Funds.....	\$450 00

My personal work during the year has been: 58 sermons preached, 67 churches visited, 85 addresses made, 39 prayer meetings attended, 26 Associations attended, and 28 other public meetings. I have made 15 religious visits, administered the Lord's Supper 8 times, dedicated 1 church, baptized 5 persons; have written 3,187 letters, besides sending out by express and mail a large amount of literature, including collection envelopes. Have collected \$30.60 for the *Home Mission Monthly*, and have traveled about 14,000 miles.

The service is still a pleasant and joyous one, and is largely rendered so through the kindness and sympathetic coöperation of the officers at the rooms in New York.

WABASH DISTRICT: INDIANA AND SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

REV. SCHUYLER C. FULMER, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

This District includes the whole of Indiana and that part of Illinois south of Bloomington. The plan of doing all possible to increase the knowledge of the members of the churches regarding the work of the Society and to secure local coöperation in the collection of funds has been steadily pursued. The falling off in Indiana from the usual sources is not as bad as it seems from the financial statement below. One large church, from special local reasons, and good ones, too, fell off this year \$125; one company that gave out of its profits last year more than \$350 fell off this year \$200; also the effort to raise the \$10,000 for State Missions, while a splendid movement, had its effect on other causes. More than \$100 that was intended for this year's report, came in from Indiana after my books closed. There was an increase of twenty-two in the number of contributing churches this year in Indiana, and of eighty in Southern Illinois.

Mrs. E. G. Wheeler did very efficient work in the District for ten months of the year. Her efforts were not to force an increase in the offerings, but to do such work as would tell in the future as well as the present. Her help in Illinois assisted greatly in preventing a falling off, occasioned by the introduction of the wheel plan—an excellent plan when once in operation.

Receipts for the *Home Mission Monthly* and the *Bulletin* are not included below.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—IN INDIANA

22 B. Y. P. U. Unions gave.....	\$83 52
26 Sunday Schools	113 75
79 personal gifts amounted to.....	558 01
364 churches	2,690 99
3 Women's Mission Circles.....	9 53
1 Associational meeting collection.....	1 38
Total.....	\$3,457 16
Total last year.....	3,673 75
Decrease this year.....	\$216 59

IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

27 B. Y. P. Unions gave.....	\$88 41
30 Sunday Schools gave.....	118 10
78 personal gifts amounted to.....	491 25
277 churches gave	1,690 27
1 Women's Mission Circle gave.....	5 00
7 Associational collections amounted to.....	32 14
Total.....	\$2,425 17
Total last year	2,279 80
Gain this year.....	\$145 37

IN THE DISTRICT

Total from all sources this year.....	\$13,464 53
Total from all sources last year.....	5,953 55
Increase this year.....	\$7,510 98
Total from churches this year.....	\$4,381 26
Total from churches last year.....	3,978 89
Increase this year.....	\$402 37
Total from individuals last year.....	\$1,329 83

Total from individuals this year.....	1,049 26
Decrease this year.....	\$280 57
Totals from Sunday Schools last year.....	\$352 36
Total from Sunday Schools this year.....	231 83
Decrease this year.....	\$120 53
Total from B. Y. P. Unions last year.....	\$216 53
Total from B. Y. P. Unions this year.....	171 93
Decrease this year.....	\$44 60
A special personal gift in Indiana of.....	\$2,000 00
Two legacies in Illinois amounted to.....	4,582 20
Annuity fund in Illinois of	1,000 00

My personal work is partially represented by the following: Addresses made, 160; sermons preached, 43; prayer meetings attended, 25; other meetings attended, 42; churches visited, 78; Associational meetings attended, personally, 27, and by proxy, 32; attended 2 State Conventions and was present at the May anniversaries in Detroit; letters written, 1,442; postals written, 287; circular letters sent out, 2,479; mimeograph letters, 1,553; miles traveled, 16,229; annual reports of the Society distributed, 223; copies of the *Home Mission Monthly* given away, 932; pages of literature distributed, 384,609; mite-boxes sent out, 2,767; personal calls made, 58; personal visits made, 116; new subscribers to the *Monthly* secured, 104; renewals to the *Monthly* taken, 99; copies of the *Bulletin* given away in the last three months, 824.

CHICAGO DISTRICT: NORTHERN ILLINOIS AND WISCONSIN.

JUDSON B. THOMAS, D.D., CHICAGO, ILL., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

Last year the total amount of money which went from this district to New York was \$14,517.78. This year the total amount is \$16,338.31. Last year the contributions came from 230 Churches, 26 Sunday Schools, 31 Young People's Societies, 29 Individuals and 5 Estates. This year's contributions have come from 291 Churches, 24 Sunday Schools, 31 Young People's Societies, 39 Individuals and 8 Estates.

The past has been a delightful year. The kindly, sympathetic services of the pastors have been constantly manifest. The membership of the

churches manifests greater interest in our work year by year. Numbers of people the past year have signified their intention to remember the Lord's work in the final disposition of their property.

The adjustment of the Wheel Plan continues to operate at times against us, but the conditions are settling to normal as rapidly as perhaps we should expect. The attention of the people has been turned to local improvements in an unusual way. Large educational movements have in some instances absorbed individual strength and mortgaged or curtailed usual benevolent work for a time. Incidental disturbances, such as stormy Sabbaths, local preoccupations, pastorless pulpits, etc., have done their accustomed share at hindering the work.

During the year we have sought especially to emphasize the permanent value of concerted action in all departments of the local church. We have urged Churches, Sunday Schools and Young People to study and to give to the same missionary object at the same time. The direct effect of this will not show as might be hoped, because of the fact that we urge all to give through the treasury of the church and as a part of the church. The number of our contributing churches has increased more than 26 per cent. More schools and Young People's Societies have contributed to our work the year just closed than ever before, but many of these gave through the churches.

A distinctive feature of the past year has been the growing interest in the general work of our Society among our foreign brethren. Entirely of their own accord the Swedish Conference of Wisconsin passed resolutions urging each of their churches to contribute to our work and afterwards a systematic presentation of the work was made before every church in the Conference, and all but a very few have sent in contributions. Nearly every foreign church in this district has given to Home Missions the past year—some of them very generously. This has been a great encouragement. It shows an appreciation of what has been done for them and an interest in the great problems of the Nation that is their's by adoption.

The most cordial and friendly relations continue to exist between the Home Mission Society and the Illinois Swedish Conference as also between the Society and the Chicago City Mission Society. With both of these organizations we coöperate in missionary work. A new General Missionary among the Swedes of this State has just been appointed and is at work. These Scandinavian brethren are planning advance and aggressive work in many directions. The City Mission Society has taken hold of its work, so greatly enlarged by coöperation with our Society, with courage and enthusiasm and unity.

The year just closing has seen distinct advance. Some new church properties have been secured and others have been saved or freed from debt. New territory for mission work has been preempted and some work

at these points already begun. The spiritual harvests have been encouraging. In summing up the entire year's work we find much to praise God for. To Him be all the glory.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT—MINNESOTA, NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA.

O. A. WILLIAMS, D.D., MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

It is necessary to explain, as on previous occasions, that the offerings made by the churches in Wisconsin are reported to the Rev. J. B. Thomas, D.D., through the office in Chicago. Through personal visitation and correspondence the attention of all the churches, of the Sunday Schools, and of the Young People's Societies in these States was called to the general work of the American Baptist Home Mission Society. While we cannot report an increase in the aggregate contributions of the churches and of individuals, we believe that there has been an advance in the education of the churches along this line, and in the interest in Home Missions. One large personal contribution is not reported this year, because this earnest friend of missions felt under obligation the past year to make a large contribution towards the building of a chapel for the little flock of which she is a member. It is not withheld from the cause of Christ, though it will not pass this year through the same channel. For certain reasons some of the leading churches have failed to reach the average amount this year.

This District being strictly a Home Mission field much attention must necessarily be given for years to come to the strengthening and developing of the State Convention work. One difficulty which we have to encounter in these Home Mission States is that many fail to distinguish between Home Mission work, as carried on by the Convention, and by the Society. They still persuade themselves that money contributed to the former cause is contributed to the general work of Home Missions.

The Society suffers loss for its general work from another cause. Contributions taken by churches, under the care of missionary pastors, and applied on salary, for which amounts receipts are sent to the Treasurer in New York, are, in some instances, when not properly explained, credited to the State Convention work, instead of to the general work of the Society. This confusion would be wholly obviated if these offerings were sent through the District Secretary, as is done by nearly all of the churches under the care of missionary pastors in Minnesota.

The churches in North Dakota are much embarrassed this year in their work on account of the failure of crops, such as was never known before in the history of the State. This report will be incomplete as to the amount

of the offerings that the missionary pastors may report through their receipts in New York at the end of this quarter.

A GREAT LOSS.

On Saturday evening, March 16, Mrs. George A. Pillsbury quietly fell asleep in Jesus after a painless illness of four weeks. After the death of her husband she resolved to make use of a part of her income in encouraging and assisting churches, especially in Minneapolis, to pay off their mortgage debts, contributing for this purpose a total of \$15,600.00: a noble work that will help these churches to increase their usefulness and to widen their influence. On whom will her mantle fall? Who shall receive a double portion of her spirit?

The contributions of the churches during the present fiscal year have been as follows:

MINNESOTA.

Churches contributing, 84.			
Offerings from the churches.....			\$1,346.96
“ “ “ Sunday Schools			14.02
“ “ “ Young People’s Societies			14.82
“ “ “ Women’s Circles			41.00
“ “ “ Individuals			150.00
Total			\$1,566.80

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Churches contributing, 18.			
Offerings from the churches.....			\$206.14
“ “ “ Sunday Schools			5.00
“ “ “ Young People’s Societies			1.00
“ “ “ Individuals			4.00
Total			\$216.14

NORTH DAKOTA.

Churches contributing, 8.			
Offerings from the churches			45.90
“ from the Sunday Schools.....			2.50
Total			\$48.40

SUMMARY.

Total contributions for the General Work.....	\$1,831.34
Offerings for Church Edifice Work.....	87.12
From Hon. George A. Pillsbury's Estate.....	1,000.00
“ Legacies	800.00
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Total	\$3,718.46
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CENTRAL DISTRICT: IOWA, KANSAS, NEBRASKA, COLORADO, OKLA-
HOMA AND INDIAN TERRITORY.

REV. D. D. PROPER, DES MOINES, IOWA, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

A considerable number of the Churches making contributions are really just beginning the work of taking separate collections for the Society. Several of the better class of contributing Churches have either been building or repairing meeting houses, or paying debts this year, so that their contributions are not so large as usual.

The active canvass for Educational Endowment funds to meet the propositions of the Educational Society in Iowa and Kansas may in some instances have hindered the securing of collections for Home Missions as well as other objects, but that was a necessary work, and is for the building up of the Master's Kingdom in these States.

Iowa, the strongest State in the District, has just assumed self-support in State Convention Mission work, but notwithstanding this, pastors and members have nobly sustained the work of the Society.

The tendency to frequent changes in plans of Systematic Beneficence during the last two years has been the loss of several collections the past year, and smaller amounts in some other cases. It is gratifying to note that adjustments to State Convention Schedules are being generally made in all of the States, and it is to be hoped that they will become permanent.

The constant change in pastoral relations has been a fruitful source of disarranging plans for collections, and this does much to retard the work of developing Systematic Beneficence.

The past year has been one of great commercial prosperity within the bounds of this District.

There has been an increase in the total amount received over the previous year, but it has not been as large as it ought to have been. It is a matter for thanksgiving that two of the States, Iowa and Kansas, show an increase in the general collections over the previous year. Colorado falls

short \$25.39 of the amount given the previous year, and Nebraska \$289.65. The record of my personal labors is as follows, viz.: Churches visited, 115; sermons preached, 83; addresses delivered, 118; Associations attended, 31; State Conventions and other general meetings, 5; Colleges and Schools addressed, 9; Indian Missions visited, 5; letters written, 3,087; postal cards written, 806; Mimeograph letters sent, 6,629; number of printed documents distributed, 69,310; articles written for publication, 20.

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

Total receipts from 463 churches.....	\$7,851 64
Total receipts from churches last year.....	6,772 12
Increase this year.....	\$1,079 52
Total receipts from individuals	\$1,586 58
Total receipts from last year.....	1,027 13
Increase this year	\$559 45
Total receipts from 34 Young People's Societies.....	181 31
Total receipts from Young People's Societies last year.....	138 82
Increase this year	\$42 49
Total receipts from 138 Sunday Schools	\$786 49
Total receipts from Sunday Schools last year.....	934 78
Decrease this year	\$148 29
Total receipts from Women's Societies.....	\$45 31
Total receipts from Women's Societies last year.....	46 20
Decrease this year	89
Total annuities	\$1,000 00
Total annuities last year	1,000 00
Total legacies	\$333 33
Total legacies last year	
Increase this year.....	\$333 33
Total receipts from all sources	\$11,784 66
Total receipts from all sources last year.....	9,919 05
Net increase this year	\$1,865 61
Net increase last year.....	3,012 97
The increase in contributions from all sources, outside of annuities and legacies, is \$1,532.28.	

PACIFIC DISTRICT: WASHINGTON, NORTH IDAHO, OREGON, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, ARIZONA AND ALASKA.

C. A. WOODY, D.D., PORTLAND, ORE., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

I am pleased to have the privilege of reporting another year of service in behalf of the Society and its work. The year has had no features of marked interest, save the steady increase of contributing churches.

During the whole year I have pressed the work as vigorously as my other duties as Superintendent of Missions has allowed. So far as I am able to judge the attitude of the field as a whole, it is increasingly cordial to the work of the Society. During the year the Conventions in my district have somewhat enlarged their work, and many of the churches have been engaged in repairs, long needed and neglected, upon their houses, and in an encouraging number of cases have been paying off burdensome debts. A larger number of new houses have been under construction during the year than for several years past. All this has doubtless affected in some degree the contributions made to the general work of the Society. The following tables will show the contributions and gains, or otherwise, of the year. For a better exhibit I give the figures for the three years past.

	Number of contributing churches	Contributed.
1899	52	\$1,100 51
1900	69	1,132 19
1901	112	2,045 00
Gain over last year.....		43 \$926 81 or 85 per cent.

	Number of contributing Sunday Schools	Contributed
1899	25	\$54 40
1900	30	168 36
1901	18	83 74
Loss from last year.....		12 \$85 62

	Number, of Young Peoples Societies.	Contributed.
1899	4	\$13 10
1900	8	41 46
1901	10	100 22
Gain over last year.....		2 \$58 76

	Individuals	Contributed.
1899	28	\$213 50
1900	12	1,234 50
1901	11	1,928 50
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Gain		\$694 00
Other receipts not included in the above:		
1899		nothing.
1900		"
1901		\$423 21
Total receipts:		
1899		\$1,381 51
1900		2,576 51
1901		4,630 67
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Gain this year\$2,054 16
 which is a net gain of about 80 per cent. This satisfactory showing comes first from the increase in the number of contributing churches, which is a good ground of hope for continued enlargement. A legacy collected, one large special contribution of \$800, and one large addition to an annuity account accounts for the balance.

My personal services are reported under the head of my work as Superintendent. Praying that the blessing of God may be upon all workers of the Society, and that its work may have an increasingly large place in the confidence and beneficence of the churches, this report of the year is submitted.

KANAWHIA DISTRICT: WEST VIRGINIA.

W. E. POWELL, D.D., PARKERSBURG, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The last year has been the most active and far-reaching in a business way ever known in West Virginia; more coal and timber lands have been sold, and more territory developed for oil purposes than ever before in any one year in this State.

Religious work has been well maintained in many parts of the State, by occupying many new fields, building many church edifices, organizing many churches and Sunday Schools. More money has gone into the different lines of religious work than in previous years.

The plan of Systematic Beneficence is being gradually introduced into our churches and works so well that it gives promise of steady and much larger returns in the coming years.

There is already a perceptible growth in the offerings of the contributing churches, while the non-contributing churches are looked upon with disfavor by the more active ones. The time has come when the pastor who does not bring before his people the work of benevolence is regarded as inefficient and lacking in an essential quality for a good pastor.

Many new railroad lines have been projected and built, this means many more villages, towns and centers of population, all of which call for more missionaries and money with which to sustain the same.

One of the most serious difficulties we have to contend with in collecting money, is found in the fact, that so many pastors, in years gone by, have failed to train their people to give for benevolent work; but even this is being gradually overcome.

The lumber camps, the mining towns, the oil villages and the new railroads make West Virginia a most important, needy and inviting mission field, and it will be so for many years yet to come.

Mission churches are becoming self-supporting. Home missions are popular among our people. Wills are being made in favor of the Society and its work and a steady interest is perceptible in the growth of Home Mission work in this district.

PERSONAL WORK.

Weeks of service, fifty-two; churches visited, twenty-five; associations attended, seven; other public meetings, twenty; sermons preached, fourteen; addresses delivered, thirty-nine; prayer meetings attended, twenty-two; religious visits made, sixty-five; pages of tracts distributed, one hundred and seventy-seven thousand nine hundred and fifty; assisted in the dedication of three houses; held fifteen meetings for conference; collected for Home Missions, \$2,568.01; secured ten subscribers for the *Home Mission Monthly*; secured fifty subscribers for the *Home Mission Bulletin*; have paid for traveling expenses, \$138.70; paid for postage, \$78.32; paid for stationery and printing, \$15; have traveled 4,502 miles; written 2,657 letters and 997 cards.

MISSOURI.

MANLY J. BREAKER, D.D., ST. LOUIS, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

In Missouri the collection and forwarding of funds for Home and Foreign Missions are in the hands of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions of the General Association, located at St. Louis. This Board makes its annual report to the General Association every October; but the following report is specially prepared for the Home Mission Society.

All funds are to be designated by the donors to the Board, Home or Foreign, for which they are intended, and they are forwarded strictly ac-

according to that designation. They must be designated to either Home or Foreign Missions, but if the Board be not designated, the funds are divided between the two Home Boards or the two Foreign Boards, at a ratio previously agreed on. The expense of the work is divided between the four Boards, at Boston, New York, Richmond, Atlanta, in proportion to receipts for each Board. The offerings from the Women's Missionary Societies also pass through my hands. These are always required to be designated, but are not charged with any part of the expenses. I have had charge of this office since November, 1896, doing the work formerly done by two men, and during that time the total receipts from Missouri for Home and Foreign Missions have nearly doubled. My special effort has been to arouse the pastors, and introduce system. But much remains to be done. Last year out of 1,862 churches (white) only 325 gave to State, Home and Foreign Missions, and that number was a large increase over the previous year. I have been able to introduce the Wheel Plan in an improved form, and to have the woman's work put under a State Committee of Women, reporting to the General Association. The sectional friction which marred our cause in Missouri some years ago has entirely disappeared.

My work for the last fiscal year may thus be summarized: Days of work, 365; days away from home, 138; churches visited, 90; conventions attended, 10; associations attended, 33; miles traveled, 29,475; addresses made, 166; letters sent out, 3,748; circular letters sent out, 52,000; columns of matter prepared for press, 158; pages of literature published, 1,017.500; pages of literature distributed, 2,540,420; money collected, for Home Missions, \$6,738.25, for Foreign Missions, \$13,269.57; total, \$20,007.82.

The financial statement for the Home Mission Society is as follows:

OFFERINGS.

Churches.	Sun. Schools.	Y. P. Socs.	Individuals.	Totals.	Years.
\$3,187.26 2,615.12	\$5.12 5.60	..... \$25.00	\$97.75 145 97	\$3,291.13 2,766.60	1900-1901 1899-1900
Con. Churches.	Non-Con. Chs.	Total Chs.	Total Pastors.		Years.
312 215	1326 1244	1832 1862	936 988		1900-1901 1899-1900

NOTE.—The non-contributing churches above contribute to no Home Mission Board. Of the total churches 373 in 1900 and 224 in 1901 contributed to the Southern Board.

II. MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

On entering a new century as well as a new fiscal year in missionary work, we are naturally led to ask whether the circumstances lay upon the Society any new responsibilities in the way of new work, or call for any new methods of prosecuting it.

The most obvious duty that confronts us primarily, is that of conserving by all proper means the results of the work of the past. In a field of missionary effort which includes nearly the whole vast region over which the stars and stripes wave there are multitudes of circumstances more or less unfavorable to missionary endeavor which have served to hinder the progress of the work, and in some places to threaten the defeat of our efforts. Each such case is receiving careful consideration and it can be confidently asserted that the work of the Society in all of its aspects is, on the whole, very satisfactory.

Through careful supervision on the part of capable Superintendents the effort is continuously made by the selection of new men and the adoption of such modification of methods, as the circumstances require, to keep the work of the Society in all respects up to date. These continual adjustments, involving sometimes changes more or less radical, are far more healthy than a violent change of methods at any one particular time. We believe that the missionary work carried on by the Society represents, at the present time, so far as possible, the general view of our churches quite as fully as at any period in the past. Every year witnesses the introduction into our missionary force of young men fresh from our theological seminaries and other institutions of learning, representing whatever is good in the latest thought regarding theology and missions.

The importance of self-support is kept constantly before the churches receiving help from the Society and all appropriations for aid in supporting pastors are made with the thought that they shall be supplementary to whatever the church is able to do for itself; it is designed as a help only to those who will help themselves to the fullest extent; it is a stimulus to self-help, and

not a substitute. This policy of the Society is well understood and is very generally cheerfully accepted by those receiving aid.

The calls for help in supporting pastors for young and feeble churches far exceed the ability of the Society to respond. It is perhaps far within the bounds of truth to say that if we had the means to do it there could be organized in the immediate future on our mission field hundreds of new churches which need only the stimulus, encouragement and aid of a few hundred dollars in each case to ensure a vigorous life and a rapid progress toward self-support. The Society is, unfortunately, obliged to turn a deaf ear to multitudes of appeals and to select only those which occupy the most strategic points and which give the greatest promise of growth and speedy independence.

A reference to the reports of the Superintendents of missions and to the reports of the General Missionaries will show the fields where additional help and enlarged missionary endeavor are most urgently called for. The work both in Porto Rico and in Cuba is expanding healthfully and more rapidly than the Society is prepared to take care of it. Among the places in the West where the need is most urgent and the promise the greatest, may be mentioned Northern Minnesota, Wyoming, Idaho, Washington, New Mexico and Arizona. In mentioning these we do not forget the opportunities that are presented in other parts of the vast western region.

The need of mission work, carefully planned, vigorously prosecuted and liberally sustained in the great cities never was greater than at present. San Francisco alone appeals most strongly for such work. It is a great pity that the Society cannot respond to that call.

The foundation work that has been done in the past among the foreign nationalities has prepared the way for a great advance if we were ready to make it. This is especially true of the work among the Germans, the Swedes, the French and the Italians.

Steady and encouraging progress has been made in most of our mission fields in Mexico. A new house of worship has been dedicated at New Laredo. The church at Monterey is actively

engaged in mission work and will soon be self-supporting. Some valuable accessions to our forces have been received during the year. Mr. Sloan reports the work on his Spanish Concordance of the Bible well advanced. There ought to be a decided reinforcement of workers in this great field of thirteen millions of people, the bulk of whom are without a saving knowledge of Christ, multitudes being almost in pagan darkness. Between the Republic and our own the bonds of sympathy and fraternity are becoming stronger every year. The Conference of American Republics is to be held in the City of Mexico next Fall. It is a favorable time, at the opening of the new century for advance work in Mexico for whose evangelization Christians of the United States are primarily and preëminently responsible.

WORK AMONG THE ITALIANS.

In the work among the foreign population there is none more pressing or promising than that for the Italians. The Society has had under appointment during the year nine missionaries among them, of whom the following are still at work: At Buffalo, N. Y., Rev. Angelo Peruzzi; Barre, Vt., Rev. A. B. Bellondi; New Haven, Conn., Rev. Marco Mazzucca; Stamford, Conn., Rev. P. DeCarlo; Newark, N. J., Rev. Angelo di Domenica; Providence, R. I., Rev. Vincenzo di Domenica, and Haverhill, Mass., Rev. Alfred Barone. The fields at Boston and Paterson, N. J., are temporarily vacant.

This number should be largely increased to meet the pressing calls for missionaries among the multitudes of these people who continue to flock to our shores and fill our cities, and among whom the gratifying results already obtained give promise of an early and still greater harvest.

MISSIONARY SUMMARY.

The following presents a summary exhibit of the missionary operations of the Society:

The whole number of laborers, missionaries and teachers supported wholly or in part by the Society has been 1,199.

These have been distributed as follows: In New England States, 43; in the Middle and Central States, 64; in the Southern States, 215; in the Western States and Territories, 830; in the Canadian Dominion, 8; in Mexico, 20; in Alaska, 2; in Cuba, 9; in Porto Rico, 8; French missionaries have wrought in 6 States; Scandinavian missionaries in 23 States; German missionaries in 21 States and Canada; colored missionaries in 19 States and Territories.

Among the foreign population there have been 279 missionaries and 15 teachers; among the colored people, 53 and 191; the Indians, 20 and 23; the Mexicans, 14 and 6; the Cubans, 6 and 3, the Porto Ricans, 6 and 2, respectively; among the Mormons, 3 teachers, and among Americans, 578 missionaries.

The Society aids in the maintenance of 31 schools established for the colored people, the Indians and the Mexicans. There are 7 day schools for the Chinese, and other day schools as follows: One in Utah, 1 in New Mexico, and 1 in Cuba; in all 41.

The particular distribution of these laborers is as follows:

Maine.....	1	S. C.....	17	Mo.....	7	Cal.....	71
N. H.....	3	Ga.....	45	Neb.....	44	Ore.....	46
Vermont.....	1	Fla.....	5	Ind. Ter....	87	Wash.....	63
Mass.....	24	Ala.....	4	Oklahoma....	54	Manitoba	2
R. I.....	4	Miss.....	16	Kans.....	70	Alberta	1
Conn.....	10	La.....	5	S. Dakota....	45	Ontario	3
N. Y.....	20	Ark.....	5	N. Dakota....	35	Assiniboia ...	2
N. J.....	15	Tex.....	29	Mont.....	18	Mexico	20
Pa.....	12	Ohio.....	5	Wyom.....	7	Alaska.....	2
Del.....	5	Mich.	22	Colo.....	38	Cuba	9
Va.....	37	Ind.....	3	New Mex ...	18	Porto Rico...	8
W. Va.....	12	Ill.....	30	Ariz.....	5		
Ky.....	8	Wis.....	53	Utah	9	Total.....	1,199
Tenn.....	23	Minn.....	57	Nevada	1		
N. C.....	19	Iowa	30	Idaho	14		

CLASSIFIED TABLE OF MISSIONARIES, ETC., OF THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY—FROM 1871 TO 1901 INCLUSIVE.

MISSIONARIES.

SCHOOLS.

YEAR.	Total No. Missionaries and Teachers.	Americans.	German.	Scandinavians.	French.	Mexicans.	Indians.	Negroes,†	Chinese.	Poles.	Bohemians.	Welsh.	Portuguese.	Finn.	Italians.	Jews.	Australians.	Japanese.	Hollanders.	Cubans.	Porto Ricans.	Number.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Ch. Schools Erected.
1871	352	64	56	51	4	3	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1872	424	26	56	51	7	3	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1873	435	26	56	51	7	3	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1874	350	38	56	51	9	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1875	334	26	56	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1876	266	126	56	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1877	230	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1878	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1879	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1880	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1881	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1882	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1883	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1884	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1885	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1886	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1887	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1888	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1889	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1890	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1891	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1892	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1893	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1894	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1895	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1896	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1897	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1898	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1899	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1900	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0
1901	215	126	37	20	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	18	0

in co-operation in the States of New York, Michigan, and Illinois terminated in 1895, and 73 missionaries in these States were transferred to the care of their respective churches. † Not including secretaries and agents. ‡ The decrease of missionaries among the Freedmen after 1873 is largely accounted for by the fact that students were commissioned as teachers and missionaries during their summer vacations. § Including about ten teachers of government day schools in Indian Territory. ¶ Not also in 1895. And in 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901.

Number of Laborers	1,199
Weeks of labor	42,672
Churches and out-stations supplied	1,954
Sermons preached	97,739
Prayer meetings attended	47,104
Religious visits made	294,566
Bibles and Testaments distributed	7,695
Pages of tracts distributed	1,655,794
Received by baptism	4,906
Received by letter and experience.....	5,537
Total church membership	59,026
Churches organized	81
Sunday Schools under care of Missionaries	1,197
Attendance at Sunday Schools	82,557
Benevolent contributions reported	\$110,285 83

RESULTS OF SIXTY-NINE YEARS.

Number of commissions to missionaries and teachers.....	25,475
Weeks of service reported	901,463
*Sermons preached	2,219,804
*Prayer meetings attended	1,193,487
*Religious visits to families and individuals.....	5,708,192
Persons baptized	168,267
Churches organized	5,468

* During last sixty years.

SUPERINTENDENTS AND GENERAL MISSIONARIES.

The following is the list of the Superintendents and General Missionaries the past year:

Upper Mississippi District.—O. A. Williams, D.D., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Wisconsin—Rev. D. W. Hulburt, Wauwatosa.
 Minnesota—Rev. E. R. Pope, Minneapolis.
 North and South Dakota—T. M. Shanafelt, D.D., Huron, S. D.
 Trans-Mississippi Division—N. B. Rairden, D.D., Omaha, Neb.
 Iowa—Rev. E. P. Bartlett, Des Moines.
 Nebraska—Rev. C. W. Brinstad, Omaha.
 Kansas—Rev. E. B. Meredith, Topeka.
 Indian Territory—Rev. Cortez Stubblefield, Duncan.
 J. S. Murrow, D.D. The Indians.

Oklahoma—Rev. L. J. Dyke, Oklahoma City.

Rev. L. L. Smith, Oklahoma City.

Colorado—Rev. Thomas Stephenson, Pueblo.

New Mexico—Rev. George H. Brewer, Albuquerque.

Montana, Utah, South Idaho and Wyoming—Rev. L. G. Clark, Helena, Mont.

Pacific Coast Division—C. A. Woody, D.D., Portland, Ore.

East Washington and North Idaho—Rev. A. M. Allyn, Spokane, Wash.

Washington—Rev. W. E. Randall, Tacoma.

Oregon—Rev. George R. Varney, Portland.

Northern California—Rev. E. R. Bennett, Oakland.

South California and Arizona—Rev. C. T. Douglass, Pasadena, Cal.

The French—Rev. J. N. Williams, 19 Arch St., Providence, R. I.

The Germans—Rev. G. A. Schulte, 313A Charles St., West Hoboken, N. J.

Eastern Cuba—H. R. Moseley, D.D., Santiago.

Northern Porto Rico—Rev. H. P. McCormick, San Juan.

Southern Porto Rico—Rev. A. B. Rudd, Ponce.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT: WISCONSIN, MINNESOTA, NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA.

O. A. WILLIAMS, D.D., MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, SUPERINTENDENT.

The territorial area of this district is the same as it was one year ago. It contains 300,599 square miles. If the time comes when the population will be as dense to the square mile in this section of country as it is to-day in Illinois, more than 24,000,000 will have found here their homes. The rapid development of these States gives promise that that day is not very distant. In the last ten years 1,250,000 was added to the population of this district. The number of home-seekers which pass through the Twin Cities on special trains on the different railroads are reported more numerous this season than formerly. It was estimated by railroad men that 150,000 settled in the Northwest last year; most of them in States of this district. While a large number of these home-seekers are American citizens from States East and South, attracted to the cheaper lands of this region, yet thousands are from the different nationalities of Europe, particularly Scandinavians, Finns, Germans, and Russians.

The call for enlarged missionary work is growing louder and louder. Grave questions confront the Baptists of these States, if they retain what has already been gained, and do their part in taking possession of new fields that are opening before them.

ENCOURAGING OUTLOOK.

Because of the character of the settlers: The thousands that come from the other States of the Union bring with them their stock, farm machinery, and household furniture. Those that come from Europe do not belong to the lowest strata of society, for that class could not defray the expenses of these large families to a point so remote from the home-land. While the expenses of the long journey in many cases exhaust entirely the resources of the family, yet, with their habits of thrift, frugality and industry, it will not be many years before these strangers will be the possessors of the wealth of these prairies. Labor done among them now will prove to be "bread cast upon the waters" that will bring rich returns not many days hence.

Because of the progress made in missionary work the past year: In the increase of membership in the churches organized, in the chapels built, and in the number of churches which have assumed self-support; for detail of which I refer the reader to the report of the General Missionary in each State.

Because of the refining and uplifting influence of the pastor in the community where he lives: He sets up a standard for other families of what is possible in the educational and religious training of his children.

A FAMILY SCENE.

The Superintendent of Missions had the privilege of spending a Sunday in March in the home of one of the Swedish pastors in Minnesota. This brother has a family of ten children. All but the youngest two are members of the church. One daughter spent one year and a half in the Training School, in Chicago; two daughters are at the present time attending one of the Normal Schools, one of them paying the expenses of both from the savings of three-years' teaching. At the family worship Sunday morning, every member of the family at home engaged in prayer. A household faith like this must affect, to a large extent, the community, as the leaven in the meal.

NEEDS.

Men, who have tact and wisdom to unite two or more of the older, struggling churches under one pastorate. In no other way can these churches, which have been weakened by deaths and removals, and which are unable alone to support a pastor, be supplied with a stated ministry and the watch-care of the regular shepherd, for it is not possible, nor wise for the Society and the Convention to continue their aid indefinitely.

Self-sacrificing men, who are willing to do pioneer work in the new

settlements and in strategic points along the railroads recently built, while the privations of missionaries are not as great to-day as in the years preceding the building of railroads, the days for pioneer work are not yet past.

More money to make possible a larger missionary force. An average of seventy-five cents per member yearly from this District for State Convention work would make our resources \$15,000 more than they are at the present time. Even with this increase, the sum available would hardly be adequate to the demands of the field. Recognizing the greatness of the work, and the need and value of the strong hand of the Society, Minnesota has asked for the coöperation of the Society to be continued beyond 1903. When it was proposed that it should cease.

Chapels in twenty or more localities. It will be difficult for these struggling churches to build without aid. What a field for rich Baptists to consecrate a part of their wealth to furnish funds for Church Edifice work adequate to the demands!

It would also be a great impetus to the work if the Society was entrusted with funds to be used for the building of parsonages. Appeals for loans for this purpose are not infrequent.

WORKERS.

The General Missionaries in this District have worked without interruption throughout the year. They have shown much energy and sound judgment in their work. There has been the heartiest coöperation between the representatives of the Society and these brethren, and the Boards of the different State Conventions. For the first time since he entered on this work, in 1894, the Superintendent was absent from his duties two months last summer, when he made a visit to England and Wales. He had the privilege of speaking several times to Welsh congregations on Baptist work in America. Much interest was manifested by the Welsh people in the report given of the growth and development of the denomination in America.

RUSSIAN BAPTISTS.

His visit to the Russian Baptists in North Dakota will be remembered as one of the most interesting incidents in all his experience as Superintendent of Missions. In one settlement of seventy-five families, all of whom live in sod houses, there are 125 Baptists. In the Sunday morning service of March 3d, which he had the privilege of attending, there were 120 people crowded into the humble home of one of these members. Such religious fervor and depth of spirit as characterized this meeting one seldom witnesses. Their deep poverty in temporal matters, on account of the loss of crops, seems to draw them close to God, and to enrich their Christian ex-

perience. Through the kindness of friends in Minnesota and New York much has been done to alleviate their suffering. It is hoped that they will soon be organized into a regular Baptist church, and that they will be brought into connection with the State Convention, thus opening a work full of promise among these strangers from Russia.

There were under appointment last year in this District 194 missionaries, a larger number than was reported for the entire country in any year preceding 1865. These missionaries have charge of 188 churches, not including the German, and 156 out-stations. The influence of so large a company of Christian workers is incalculable, and figures utterly fail to give the right conception of their work.

WISCONSIN.

REV. D. W. HULBURT, WAUWATOSA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

In Wisconsin unusual interest has been manifest in an endeavor to obey the injunction of Paul when he wrote: "Let all things be done decently and in order," and again, "Not slothful in business."

We have been giving attention to order, plans, methods in Christian work.

1. A weekly contribution, quarterly statement plan for raising the funds for the current expenses of our churches, which meets the heartiest approval of bankers and business men, has been adopted by some of our churches, and will be adopted by others when it comes to be more generally known.

2. Many of our churches, in response to a recommendation of the State Convention, have appointed a well organized committee on Christian Beneficence, the good results of which are apparent in the benevolent contributions of the churches.

3. Several of our churches have organized a Church Missionary department for the study of World Missions. This is an organization which embraces the entire membership, congregation, Sunday School, and all. This movement is meeting the most hearty approval of our sisters, and is most earnestly backed up by many of them. Churches which have organized this department have an attendance four or five times as large as the attendance under former methods in missionary study.

4. Our State Convention encourages, proposes to coöperate with and recommends that our churches do a vigorous local mission work; that the missions remain missions or branches of the church; that the converts unite with the church; that while the workers in the branches will be specially interested in their particular branches, the methods of the church be such as to encourage the interest of all in all; that, as the work enlarges, assistant, or associate pastors be called, the Convention gladly coöperating, if

need be, with the church in supporting the assistant; that when it seems wise to organize a branch or mission into a church, this be done with the advice and consent of the officers of the State Convention.

5. The Convention recommends the grouping of adjacent churches and missions not able to support an efficient pastor, and that, if possible, such groups of churches and missions unite in calling a pastor who, although he comes less frequently, is, nevertheless, able to give strong meat when he comes, and that as soon as possible assistant workers be called to the field, the Convention aiding in this work, as may seem best.

6. Our Convention also recommends the bringing about, if possible, a more intimate relation between the American Baptist Publication Society and the State Convention. It is felt that much vital energy is wasted; that much seed sowing is never harvested, because there is not a carefully planned coöperation. Not that there is any antagonism between the two organizations. The fact is, the utmost harmony prevails. There is between the representatives of these Societies the warmest fraternal Christian fellowship, and the highest appreciation of the labors of the past, but it is believed that a more effective plan of coöperation can be devised.

CONSOLIDATION.

A consolidation process is prevailing in Wisconsin. We used to put forth six annual appeals for offerings to State Missions. We now put forth but one appeal each year, and since this change of method our churches have contributed a little more to State Missions each year than was contributed the previous year.

THE CONVENTION.

The Convention last year employed 53 missionaries, aided 46 churches in the support of a pastor. Our missionaries preached 4,616 sermons, preached each week to an aggregate average congregation of 3,888 persons.

Five churches came to self-support last year. Our mission churches raised \$2,321.11 more than the previous year for benevolence, and \$7,095.17 more than the previous year for all purposes.

Our State is being packed with Romanists and Lutherans, who are buying our farms, and there is, consequently, a weakening of our rural district churches, but, on the whole, we are having an encouraging gain. There are in the State, over 5,500 more Baptists than there were ten years ago.

MINNESOTA.

REV. E. R. POPE, MINNEAPOLIS, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Three alliterative words may tell as to work in Minnesota. The first of these is *progress*. This briefly describes the material conditon. The addition of 45,000 a year for the last ten years to the population is a token of progress along every line. A number equivalent to the population of Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Duluth, has been added in ten years. This growth has been generally in the smaller places and country districts of Northern and Southwestern Minnesota.

This same word, *progress*, tells the story of Baptist work. During the past ten years Baptists have made a net gain of over 50 per month; more than 6,000 in all. A church has been organized every eight weeks; 60 altogether; while at least 57 meeting-houses have been built, the Home Mission Society aiding 36. The past year, too, has seen progress. Every statistical item shows increase over the preceding year. The mission work as carried on by the Home Mission Society and State Convention shows progress. Nearly every figure in the reports indicates this. During the year 40 missionary pastors and 5 students served 48 churches, with 60 out-stations; 9 District missionaries have been employed (including a city missionary in St. Paul). The workers have baptized 253, and many more have been added to the churches through their efforts. The service of all these brethren is equivalent in duration to that of one man working for 37 years. Besides this 6 churches have been organized 4 houses dedicated, and at least 30 new preaching stations opened. Five churches that received aid the preceding year have had none this; during the year 10 churches have gone off the mission list; 31 churches are now receiving aid; 20 of these were organized within 10 years, and 10 within five years past.

The second word that tells of our work is *possibilities*. The density of the population in the State at large is 22 to the square mile; in Northern Minnesota it falls to 8.5. The material resources are only started in their growth. "There are more miles of railroad in Minnesota than in the entire United States in 1845," yet new lines are building, and others projected. The development along the Canadian border, and the railroads reaching northward, present large possibilities for usefulness. The country districts, which recent investigation shows are largely neglected by evangelical churches, urge speedy entrance. Each new town furnishes a possible field for earnest endeavor. In Minnesota there are 447 incorporated cities and villages. In 128 of these, with 40,796 people, there is no English-speaking Evangelical Church, while there are 111 other places with only one each, in some of which there is need and possibility of Baptist work just now. Again, possibilities may be seen when it is noted that Baptists are only one

in 86 of the population, that our churches average only 79.4 in membership, that 154 of them (254 in all) have less than 50 members each. Others' thought of Minnesota's possibilities may be observed, when it is known that the Methodists aid 145 out of 290 churches; the Presbyterians, 205 out of 276, and the Congregationalists, 143 of their 233 churches.

The third and last word concerning our need is, *peril*. On careful estimate there are over 1,000,000 people in the State *outside of all* religious organizations. This is a larger number than ten years ago. Nearly one-half of the 675,000 to 700,000 church members are Roman Catholics, vigorous and aggressive. They are led by one of the most astute churchmen in the land. The Lutherans number some 200,000, and though they vary greatly among themselves, and are of all shades of thought, yet much of their influence is cast against Evangelical Christianity. Here is peril.

The comparative weakness of the five leading evangelical denominations, the great prevalence of "isms," especially in Northern Minnesota; the great rapidity of progress; the difficulty of securing a hearing for the Gospel in new communities; the fierce pursuit of gain; the constant ebb and flow of population; the instability of so many of the first settlers; all these and more may rightly be called peril.

Among evangelical bodies, Baptists stand third in members. Ten years ago, they were second. The only reason for this, so far as I can see, is that others had more money, and so could do more work. Baptists, according to the money used, have accomplished as much or more than others. But, as far as our work is concerned, here is an added peril.

Here is the situation: Some progress made; possibilities opening for yet larger advance; but perils of various kinds to be overcome. The aid of the Home Mission Society, so highly valued, is a positive necessity, if Baptists shall keep up the present progress in Minnesota, meet as they ought the possibilities and overcome the perils in the years to come.

SOUTH AND NORTH DAKOTA.

BY T. M. SHANAFELT, D.D., HURON, S. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The year now ending has been one of progress and growth in South and North Dakota. Never before have there been so few churches without pastors. Reports received from missionary pastors have been almost uniformly encouraging. The fields of some of them are too large, and all can find more than they are able to do in responding to calls for missionary work in outlying districts.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

During the year forty-seven missionaries have been under appointment, occupying over fifty fields and nearly fifty out-stations. Four new churches

have been organized. Three new houses of worship have been dedicated, and three others are nearly completed. In coöperation with the Congregational Superintendent of Missions our church property at Estelline, on the east side of the State, which we no longer need, has been deeded to the Congregationalists, in exchange for better church property at Buffalo Gap, in the Black Hills, which we need, and for which the Congregationalists have no longer any use. By this exchange the interests of both denominations have been promoted, and provision has been made for meeting the religious needs of two communities.

South Dakota has rapidly increased in population, especially in 1900. Already there is evidence that there will be a still larger increase during 1901. Unlike some of the other States, this gain in population is largely from English-speaking people, though there are many Scandinavian and German immigrants. Since the last annual report several flourishing villages have grown up, especially along the recently extended lines of railroad. In two of these localities we have new church organizations and chapels nearly completed, and others must soon follow.

With the necessary development of new fields, and maintaining the ground already under cultivation, it is evident that there can be no retrenchment in the funds set apart for missionary work in South Dakota without serious loss to our cause in the State and increasing the burdens of our churches. They are already doing their utmost to meet existing conditions and needs. They are courageously and willingly carrying a heavy load, and at present it is all they can carry. Will the denomination at large fail to do its duty, and by such failure add to the burden of these new Western churches, until their courage is broken, and they become discouraged in their efforts to evangelize the great West?

NORTH DAKOTA.

With the exception of one or two localities, North Dakota was settled later than South Dakota. With a later beginning in missionary work, and the marvelous increase in population, it has been practically impossible to keep pace with the rapid progress and growth of the State. This is especially true at the present time.

The tide of immigration has risen higher than at any time since the early days in Dakota Territory. This rapid increase in the population of the State, representing several nationalities, greatly increases our obligation to furnish the Gospel to these new settlers, and emphasizes our duty to evangelize the thousands who have recently come, and the thousands who are coming from other countries beyond the sea. Additional new mission fields must be occupied without delay. This will involve the necessity for

an increased appropriation of missionary funds. The duty of the hour imperatively calls for an enlargement of our work.

It is especially unfortunate that coincident with the unusually pressing needs of the present, the people of the State are now suffering from the effects of the most disastrous crop failure ever known in the history of North Dakota. Retrenchment in local expenses has become a necessity, and enlargement of plans of work has seemed to be impossible. Yet, amid such conditions, there are coming many thousands of new settlers, a large majority of them from other countries, Germany, Russia, Finland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and elsewhere. Upon us rests, in a large measure, the responsibility of supplying the religious needs of these people, and helping to evangelize them. In this, our time of unusual need, we are compelled to look to the Home Mission Society for increased assistance. Will the Baptist denomination make it possible for the Society to render this assistance?

During the past year thirty-six missionaries have been under appointment, laboring on forty-four fields and forty out-stations.

TRANS-MISSISSIPPI DIVISION: IOWA, MISSOURI, NEBRASKA, KANSAS, INDIAN TERRITORY, OKLAHOMA, COLORADO, UTAH, WYOMING, MONTANA, SOUTHERN IDAHO, NEW MEXICO.

N. B. RAIRDEN, D.D., OMAHA, NEBRASKA, GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

The past year has been a very prosperous one, both materially and religiously in this Division. In all 357 missionaries have been under appointment for the whole or part of the year.

The general conditions of this section are inviting to a large number of new settlers. In one day recently six special trains carrying settlers and their effects came into this territory. There is every indication that this tide will rapidly increase. A better understanding of agriculture in the semi-arid regions with the development of irrigating enterprises, is bringing vast sections of the most fertile land in the world under cultivation. It has been proven beyond all question that ten acres under irrigation can be made to produce more and better results than a hundred acres usually produce in the regions dependent upon rainfall. Stock interests, which a few years ago were sadly depressed, have taken on new life. Stockmen no longer depend upon the free range, but buy or lease large sections of land for their use. The mining industry was never so prosperous as at present. More intelligent and a better class of citizens are filling up these new States and Territories.

More than a hundred new churches could have been organized with a membership of from twenty to forty, with every prospect of building up strong, self-supporting churches in a few years, if money could have been provided to aid them in the support of their pastors, and securing places of worship. *We have been obliged to discontinue largely the organization of churches, simply because we did not have the funds to aid them.* Of course, this has been a great loss to the denomination, but we could not do otherwise, as every church organized which is allowed to droop and die not only discourages the Baptists on the field, but belittles and discounts the denomination in the eyes of the citizens generally. What we need is more money to aid new, vigorous churches for the first few years of their existence.

Rev. F. L. Rozelle and wife have been missionary evangelists under appointment of the Society during the past year, and have done excellent work as such, a large number of persons having been converted and baptized as the result of their labors. They have felt, however, that owing to family responsibilities, it would be unwise for them to continue longer in the work, and have resigned, to close their work March 31st.

IOWA.

Coöperation with this State ceased October, 31st and the Convention, gratefully acknowledging the help which had been rendered during the years past, will seek to care for the mission work within the State hereafter without outside assistance. Rev. E. P. Bartlett, the General Missionary, has done excellent work, although for a part of the year his health was seriously threatened. There have been twenty-eight missionaries under appointment.

MISSOURI.

My relation to the work in Missouri is confined exclusively to the work among the colored people. Two missionaries have been under appointment: Rev. H. N. Bouey, General Missionary, and also doing the work of District Missionary in the eastern part of the State; Rev. John Goins, District Missionary for the Western District. Brother Bouey has also acted as Financial Secretary for the Western Normal College, the State Baptist Colored School at Macon, and has been remarkably successful in the management of its finances.

NEBRASKA.

Rev. C. W. Brinstad has been Corresponding Secretary and General Missionary for the entire year, having begun his work January 1, 1900.

He has shown himself to be a man of unusual executive ability. The receipts of the Convention have steadily increased as well as the efficiency of the missionary force. The Society has paid during the past year one-half of the appropriations within the State, and the State Convention the other half.

In Church Edifice matters the Society pays two-thirds and the State Convention one-third of all appropriations. An effort is being made to collect the loans made by the Society in former years with some encouraging results. There have been forty-five missionaries under appointment.

KANSAS.

The State has made greater gain during the past year than for many years past—a net gain of about \$1,600 in receipts, and a gain also in the administration of affairs, largely through the efforts of Rev. E. B. Meredith, Corresponding Secretary and General Missionary. He has just completed six years of service in this position, and he has grown each year in the confidence and affection of the Kansas people. The Society and State Convention share equally in the payment of all salaries voted to missionaries in the State; and in Church Edifice matters the Society pays two-thirds and the State Convention one-third. Just now an effort is being made to raise a large sum of money toward the endowment of Ottawa University, the one Baptist School of the State, and this may reduce somewhat for a time the contributions to State Missions. There have been sixty-three missionaries under appointment.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Great changes have taken place in this Territory the past year. When the year began there were two Conventions in the Territory, the Home Mission Society, coöperating with the one, and the Southern Board with the other. A preliminary meeting had been held and a basis of coöperation agreed upon before the opening of the year. September 6th a joint meeting was held at Durant, and consolidation was effected whereby the two Conventions were dissolved, and a new Convention organized, with which both the Home Mission Society and Southern Board coöperate, each paying four-ninths of all appropriations. It was simply a marvel of grace which enabled those who had so long been antagonistic to each other, to unite with brotherly love, and agree to work together. A splendid day has dawned in Indian Territory. Three meetings of the newly-constituted Board have been held, and each has been characterized by brotherly love, and an evident desire on the part of all to do the most and best for the cause of our common Lord. Old animosities are being forgotten. The

population of Indian Territory is now 391,960, of which about 65,000 are Indians. Work among these tribes must be greatly increased. It is now hoped that a vigorous, consecrated, tactful young man and his wife may be secured for each of the five civilized tribes, and that these missionaries may go with the intention as rapidly as possible to learn the language, in order that they may preach the Gospel in the native tongue. Evan Jones, among the Cherokees, did this in an early day, and was able to move them as no other man has been able to before or since. J. S. Murrow, D.D., is District Missionary to the Indians.

The work among the white and colored people of Indian Territory is growing rapidly, but needs to be greatly enlarged. Opportunities are abundant. The reports of Revs. A. G. Washburn and C. Stubblefield, the District Missionaries, show that there are marvelous opportunities throughout the entire Territory. There have been sixty missionaries under appointment of this Society in Indian Territory during the past year.

INDIAN UNIVERSITY.

Located at Bacone, is the only Baptist School for the education of teachers and preachers for these Indian tribes. President J. H. Scott and wife and an able corps of teachers are laying solid foundations, but need greatly increased facilities. The school is overrun with students.

OKLAHOMA.

Somewhat similar conditions prevailed in Oklahoma at the beginning of the year as in Indian Territory. A joint meeting was held the 11th of October, at which the two local Conventions were consolidated, the Home Mission Society and Southern Board coöperating in the payment of salaries, each paying nine-twentieths. Revs. J. W. Black and L. L. Smith are the District Missionaries, one for the northern, one for the southern part of the Territory. Rev. L. J. Dyke, on October 31st, closed his tenth year as General Missionary, and will hereafter have charge of our mission to the Wichitas and Caddoes.

The population of Oklahoma is fully 400,000, and is increasing with great rapidity. It will be one of the most populous States in the Union. Religious foundations laid broad and deep now will mean much for the future State. There have been fifty-nine missionaries under appointment of this Society.

"BLANKET" INDIAN WORK.

This work has been carried on from the beginning by the Home Mission Society direct, and embraces two missions among the Cheyennes, one

among the Arapahoes, two among the Kiowas, one among the Comanches, and a mission jointly to the Wichita and Caddoe tribes. Marked progress has been made in most of these missions, especially is this true of the Cheyennes and the Kiowas. God has set the seal of his approval upon the work done among these people, and numerous additions by baptisms are reported each year. It will probably be necessary to open another mission among the Kiowas along the Washita River, where large numbers of these people are settled. The Kiowa, Comanche, Apache, Wichita and Caddoe Reservations, on which four of our Indian missions are located, will be opened for settlement during the coming year. These people need our help. They feel that they are friendless except as they learn by personal contact that they can have confidence in the friendship of our individual missionaries. They feel that their lands are being taken from them, and but for the splendid influence of our missionaries and the more intelligent Christians, some members of these tribes could be easily induced to resort to the war-path in an effort to prevent the opening of their reservations.

COLORADO.

Rev. John W. Crooks, Corresponding Secretary and General Missionary, was taken suddenly ill the first week in January, and soon passed away. He had done a most excellent work in the State, and our mission interests had taken on new life, and the work was being prosecuted with great vigor. The Board immediately requested Rev. Thomas Stephenson, of Pueblo, to become Acting General Missionary. This he consented to do, and at the regular Board meeting, a month later, he was unanimously chosen as General Missionary. Having had six months' experience in the position during the illness of a former missionary, Mr. Stephenson was well prepared. He has marked administrative abilities, and the Baptists of Colorado are congratulating themselves, and are to be congratulated, that they were able to secure him for this important work.

There has been great development along all material lines during the year, and the State is entering upon a period of prosperity and progress such as has never before been experienced. All told, there have been forty-one missionaries under appointment the past year.

UTAH.

The work in Utah has been somewhat hindered during the past year by changes in the pastorate. One new church has been organized, an outstation of Provo. The recent settlement of Rev. Frank Barnett with the East Side Church, Salt Lake City, and the prospective settlement of another strong man at the First Church, Salt Lake City, will place our



forces there in good shape for an advance movement. Salt Lake City is growing rapidly; is the largest wholesale and jobbing center within a radius of more than 500 miles, and is bound to be a great city. The development of the State will be more gradual than some others, on account of the conservative population. But mining, stock-raising and manufacturing interests are all in a healthy condition. More than 500 miles of railroad have been surveyed within the State during the past year. When built, they will open up magnificent deposits of coal, iron and other minerals. We have had six missionaries under appointment the past year. This number ought to be increased at once.

WYOMING.

This State already has entered upon a period of railroad building and development which promises large things for the future. The building of 120 miles of road into the Big Horn Basin, by the Burlington, will open that immense region of country to development. Many hundreds of miles of road have also been surveyed with a view to building in the near future. The immense deposits of oil and coal, as well as many other minerals, promise to give the State a great future. We have only had seven missionaries under appointment the past year. The number ought to be greatly increased.

MONTANA.

Montana is one of the greatest States in the Northwest, both in the matter of size and resources. It is the third in the production of precious metals. A great inspiration has been given to our missionary operations by the plan of coöperation, which was adopted a little more than a year ago, by which local management of the work has been put into the hands of the Baptists of the State. We have had seventeen missionaries under appointment.

SOUTHERN IDAHO.

Southern Idaho is developing very rapidly along all material lines. Blessed with abundance of water for irrigation, the desert is actually made to bud and blossom as the rose. Large numbers of desirable settlers are finding homes in the State. Hundreds of miles of road are under construction or are surveyed and ready for work to begin. Baptist interests are sharing in the prosperity, but the opportunities constitute an "embarrassment of riches," as we are unable to encourage any more churches to organize because of lack of means to aid them. Many beautiful valleys are destitute of religious services on this account.

A little more than a year ago a plan of coöperation was adopted, by which the Society proposed to give \$10 for each \$1 raised in the State, for State evangelization. An effort is being made to raise \$600 this year, and will doubtless succeed. Before coöperation was adopted between \$100 and \$200 was the usual amount contributed. Thirteen missionaries have been under appointment.

Rev. L. G. Clark, our General Missionary for Montana, Wyoming, Utah and Southern Idaho, has wrought faithfully and well in that large field. His work approves itself in many ways. He is thoroughly devoted and consecrated to his work. However, the extent of his field is such that he is unable to do anywhere near what he would like to do. In addition to his other labors, he has charge of the collections for State Missions for the Conventions in Montana and Southern Idaho.

NEW MEXICO.

Our Baptist interests in this State are having a phenomenal growth. We have twenty-eight churches. Rev. George H. Brewer was appointed General Missionary September 1st, and has already shown himself to be splendidly adapted to that work. Two hundred and fifty dollars was a large amount for the Baptists of New Mexico to raise before they entered into coöperation with the Society. During the first six months of co-operation they raised over \$500. A Convention has been organized in the Territory, and progress along all lines is manifest. If the appropriation to New Mexico could be doubled, within a year we could have an increase of at least 50 per cent. in the number of churches. We have had sixteen missionaries under appointment.

PERSONAL SERVICES.

The following figures show that part of my personal work which can be tabulated; much the greater part cannot be reported:

Have traveled 46,237 miles, at an expense for railroad fare, hotels, etc., of \$445.32. Paid for postage, express telegrams, etc., \$152.93. Stationery, \$17.85. Have written 4,877 letters and postal cards. Made 553 religious visits. Attended 82 prayer meetings. Visited 78 churches. Attended 9 State meetings and 44 Board meetings. Delivered 61 sermons and 39 addresses. Paid for office rent, \$60.00. For stenographer and office help, \$136.88.

IOWA.

REV. E. P. BARTLETT, DES MOINES, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

It is with a feeling akin to sadness that I pen the report of the last six months of co-operation with the Home Mission Society. In 1836 the

Society began Mission work in the State. The year 1842 saw the birth of the State Convention, but it did not attempt independent work until 1854. The next twenty-five years witnessed a series of struggles to maintain and advance the work, with fluctuating results. Of necessity, plans were often experimental and did not result, as those having the interest of the work at heart, anticipated. This could not be otherwise under such new conditions. When there was money in the treasury, the missionaries were paid; otherwise they had to wait long for their meager salaries, if they received them at all. Even the most consecrated accepted an appointment with a strain upon his faith, as to whence the wherewithal was to come; that was, to say the least, depressing. We cannot sufficiently honor the grand work done under such circumstances.

Largely through the instrumentality of Dr. William M. Haigh, co-operation was brought about in 1879, since which time the Convention has felt the strengthening hand of the Home Mission Society. The larger experience and wise counsel has averted unwise management, and Iowa missionaries have been promptly paid whether there was money in the Convention treasury or not.

With the close of the last Convention year, October, 1900, the co-partnership was dissolved. To that date we report our work.

During this time twenty-five missionaries, including the General Missionary, have labored on the field. They have served 44 stations and out-stations, rendered 594 weeks of service, preached 1,989 sermons, attended 659 prayer and covenant meetings, made 4,464 religious visits, baptized 88, and received 67 by letter and experience. The total membership of these churches is 1,175. Their total contributions for the year are \$10,006.30, of which \$1,132.06 was for benevolence. Four District Missionaries have been employed, two of these English speaking, one a Swedish and the other a Norwegian. Besides Rev. A. Olson, the Swedish District Missionary, three missionary pastors have labored among this people. They report 17 churches, with a membership of 996. They report 25 baptisms. Rev. L. J. Anderson, with two missionary pastors, has labored among the Danes and Norwegians. They report 16 churches, with a membership of 987; baptisms, 62.

Under the labors of our two District Missionaries, six new churches have been organized and one Free Will church turned over to the Baptists. In some instances lots have been donated and buildings undertaken. Excellent work has been done by our State Evangelists. Some of the meetings were held with difficult fields, and while in some instances visible results were not large, the churches were strengthened and put into shape to do more aggressive work. Seven new churches have been dedicated, while eight have received extensive repairs, and one church building has been practically donated to us.

FUTURE.

We are at the present time in a transitional period. It is too early to make predictions. The State is not sufficiently aroused to the responsibility resting upon it, either as to opportunities or necessary means to carry on the work. Our pastors need a little more of the itinerant spirit of our Methodist brethren, who are taking new point after new point, and holding them, simply because a neighboring pastor has made a preaching appointment, and is holding it until such time as it can be developed. Our churches do not realize that the call to "Go" may be obeyed by doing a little less labor at home, and lending their pastor to this work. Neither do they begin to realize the exigencies of the case, that there is a veritable missionary ground in Iowa, and that delay to embrace opportunities *now* means to lose them forever, to cripple our work at home and abroad, and dwarf ourselves for all time.

But we are persuaded better things of our Baptist constituency. All over the State is developing a desire to become better acquainted with our denominational work. Especially is this noticeable among our younger people. Conviction must of necessity follow enlightenment. With genuine conviction comes consecrated giving. On this we base our hopes for the future.

Though we have assumed self-support, we ought to plan for larger things. There is much land yet to be possessed. There ought to be not less than fifty missionaries under the appointment of the Board. The State is rapidly developing: new fields are constantly opening; thousands are hungering for the Bread of Life. The old Gospel is as mighty to-day as in the time of Paul. We are intrusted with it. May we have the spiritual wisdom to discover our magnificent opportunities and the consecration to improve them.

NEBRASKA.

REV. C. W. BRINSTAD, OMAHA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

After more than one year's travel throughout the State, the writer is convinced that not half has been told of the spiritual needs and opportunities in Nebraska. The needs are of a two-fold nature: First, to recover the ground lost; and second, to supply the destitute fields. A careful survey of our denominational history in this State reveals the fact that prior to the year 1883 there was a gradual growth in all directions. From 1883 to 1894 the growth was very rapid, the increase being as follows: Churches, from 130 to 264; pastors, from 84 to 138; baptisms, from 301 to 1,568; total membership, from 5,016 to 15,722. Thus it will be seen that during the twelve years preceding 1894 the increase in churches was 134; pastors, 54;

membership, 10,706. From 1894 to 1899 there was a rapid decrease in all these particulars, as follows: Churches, from 264 to 220; pastors, from 138 to 88; baptisms, 1,564 to 442; total membership, from 15,722 to 14,778, or a decrease of 44 churches, 50 pastors, and 1,000 members; being an average of 9 churches, 10 pastors, and 200 members per year.

The causes for this decline were perhaps numerous, but chiefly the failure of crops, which drove many of our members out of the State and necessitated the closing of many churches through inability to support pastors. The problem which presented itself when the present General Missionary assumed his office was how to arrest this decrease in workers and results, a problem by no means easy to solve, because chaos and pessimism seemed to predominate on every hand. Perhaps no other State in the Union has had more serious reverses spiritually than did Nebraska during these five years. Scores of churches without pastors had a name to live, but were almost extinct, and unless something could be done for them immediately all recovery would be out of the question. On the first of January, 1900, the following conditions prevailed: Total number of churches, 220; pastors, 88; membership, 14,778. Only 25 churches were self-supporting, with part-time services. With the coöperation of the State Convention and the Home Mission Society, 103 churches were able to maintain services for part or all time; but 117 churches were without pastors, and most of them rapidly becoming disorganized. Many of the latter had houses of worship and parsonages depreciating in value through lack of care. In view of these circumstances it seemed utterly out of the question to open new fields; and the Herculean task was to save that which remained.

RESULTS OF THE YEAR.

The tide has certainly turned, however, and the Lord's blessing has been upon our efforts during the year. We now have 47 self-supporting churches with all time service, and 76 with part-time service. With the help of the State Convention and Home Mission Society the work has been maintained during the year for all or part time with 168 churches, or an increase of 55 churches above that of last year. There are now in the State 130 pastors, and a total membership of about 15,500. The total home expenses for the year have been over \$95,000.00, or an increase of \$13,000 for the year. The contributions for benevolent purposes by our churches have increased from \$8,400 for 1899, to \$10,600 for 1900. The baptisms have increased more than 100 per cent. during the last year. Several churches have paid off burdensome debts, and others have built parsonages, or otherwise improved their properties. There seems to be a great awakening throughout the whole State, and reports are coming constantly of revival meetings and conversions. These results have been made possible largely through the co-

operation of the State Convention and the Home Mission Society. During the year 44 missionaries have been employed by the Society for all or part of the time, including one General and two District Missionaries. These have labored about 1,300 weeks, preached nearly 4,000 sermons, supplied 48 churches and 31 out-stations. Into these mission churches about 300 have been baptized, and 250 received by letter and experience. Four churches have been organized, and many more could have been organized had we the necessary means to assist in the support of pastors. Five meeting houses have been dedicated during the year, and 3 others are in process of erection at a total cost of about \$40,000.

PRESENT NEEDS.

While we have occasion to rejoice in the success achieved, there still remains a vast amount of work to be accomplished. About sixty churches are still pastorless, many of which are in the most critical condition, and unless they can be helped soon they will become extinct. It will not be possible for our churches to increase their offerings for State Missions sufficiently to take care of these places, and it seems imperative that greater aid should be rendered by the Home Mission Society. Much has been accomplished by uniting neighboring churches in the support of pastors so as to make self-supporting circuits. This policy will be continued; but, even then, assistance must be rendered, especially to circuits in the western part of the State, where but little local support can be secured. Other denominations are expending many times the amount at our disposal, and there is great danger that the scattered Baptists in the State, who have not been sufficiently indoctrinated, will be absorbed in pedo-Baptist churches. Good Baptist pastors are available, and could be induced to locate with our churches at reduced salaries, if only enough help could be given to maintain them on the field until the church could be self-supporting. Fifty more men could be utilized at once. We need at least Four District Missionaries among the American churches, one among the Swedish, and one among the Danish and Norwegian. The State Convention is already taxed to its utmost ability, and even with the generous support of the Home Mission Society, the funds are not sufficient adequately to supply the demand. During the last year the struggle has been with us to open the churches that have been closed. We could do little or nothing to advance the work into new fields. With \$10,000 at our disposal for mission work, it would be reasonable to expect that every pastorless church could be supplied within a year's time, and several new churches organized.

It goes without saying, that the work which is now being prosecuted under the auspices of our State Convention, could by no means be done without the coöperation of the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

There is probably not a Baptist church in Nebraska but owes its origin and present efficiency very largely to the Society, and our people are profoundly grateful to God for the help which He has given through this noble organization. Not only by money are they assisting in the work, but through the wise counsel of their representative, N. B. Rairden, D.D., Superintendent of Missions, who is held in great esteem by our churches and Board of Managers.

KANSAS.

REV. E. B. MEREDITH, KANSAS CITY, KAN., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

We have much to be thankful for in the progress made throughout the State, and especially on our mission fields.

The harvests have been bountiful and the times more prosperous. The population is again increasing and the churches feel the impulse of the Lord's blessing in temporal things.

The wonderful possibilities of this State dawn as never before on the writer. The magnificent harvests of wheat, corn, grass, alfalfa, and various other grains and feeds are enormous, and the area of production is not nearly covered. The production of fruit is large and rapidly increasing. The coal, oil, lead, zinc, salt, and gypsum mines are attracting great numbers of men and large capital for their development. The natural gas fields, perhaps the finest in the world, are bringing numerous large smelters and factories of all kinds into the State. New cities are springing up where three years ago were pastures.

With a continuation of good times this means a largely increased population in the near future; in fact, the increase is now coming.

To encourage us in this situation we have a large body of faithful, competent, self-sacrificing pastors. We have many more and better church buildings with less debt than ever before.

Most all our large centers of population, some of which were nearly lost causes a few years ago on account of debt and removals, are now well equipped, self-supporting, and beginning to be prosperous churches.

Peace and unity prevail throughout the State more than in former years. The past year has been one of goodly revivals and permanent improvement.

We now have 40,520 members finding homes in 619 different churches. Of these about one-fourth are colored Baptists. The work among them is as imperative, if not more so, than among the whites. We shall regret it later if we do not care for this people now.

Our Convention coöperates with the Home Mission Society in the support of missionaries on the basis of each paying one-half up to \$7,000, and

in Church Edifice work on the basis of \$2 from the Society to \$1 from the Convention.

Last year, ending October 1, 1900, we expended \$8,036.47 in mission work, and the Convention paid \$834.84 on its debt to the Society. This debt, contracted during the hard times, is still \$1,000.

For the year we supported all or part of the time forty-nine different missionaries, including the General Missionary, two American white, one colored and one Swedish District Missionaries, the others being missionary pastors. These missionaries had pastoral care of 115 churches and out-stations, visited and aided in meetings and other ways fully as many more needy fields. Some of them drive from twenty-five to fifty miles over broad prairies to make their several appointments amid sacrifice and exposure. Of the 1,971 baptisms in the State last year 539 were by missionaries of the Society. The churches under their care have been greatly blessed and strengthened, several of them having become self-supporting.

The Society has been cutting down on its appropriation to Kansas at the rate of \$500 per year on account of the increasing demands farther west, but we must ask a halt, if it be possible, this year or we shall be obliged to let our mission work suffer very seriously. We appreciate what the Society has done for Kansas, and the kindly interest shown by its officers in our times of trial. Dr. N. B. Riarden, of Omaha, has done efficient work for us as Superintendent of Missions, and we value his councils.

Looking out to-day we see several mining and manufacturing centers in Eastern Kansas demanding immediate help. Some weak churches scattered over the State not having been helped on their feet since the panic, are calling upon us. About twenty county seats and perhaps fifty more promising fields have no organized work. We greatly need four or five more missionaries to do itinerant work among the little churches of the western plains. Our renewed prosperity is creating new demands.

In the face of these things we must not retrench, but ought rather to enlarge and seize for our Lord these opportunities that promise such immediate fruitage.

OKLAHOMA: SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

REV. L. L. SMITH, OKLAHOMA CITY, DISTRICT MISSIONARY.

For five years past, until October, 1900, there were two Baptist Conventions in Oklahoma, one coöperating with the Home Mission Society of New York, and the other with the Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta, Ga. Through the wise management of the representatives of these two Societies with the two Oklahoma Conventions our work has been consolidated. Those who are on the field feel that this is a triumph of the grace

of God over human prejudice and human weakness. We were in danger of becoming propagandists rather than giving ourselves to establishing Gospel churches.

The following statistics are not far from correct. There are 13 Associations, about 200 churches, and approximately 6,000 members. These figures do not include the negro or Indian churches, the former of which have an Oklahoma Convention and the latter an Association in coöperation with the Home Mission Society. Work among the Blanket Indians never has been connected with either Oklahoma Conventions, but some assistance has been rendered to the negro work through the Convention.

There are indications of dissatisfaction on the part of a few because of the consolidation of our work. Some probably will refuse to coöperate with the present Convention; however, quite generally there is satisfaction.

Contributions from the churches for Oklahoma missions are larger than ever before. This is accounted for in part because the churches are encouraged, and from the fact that real progress is being made.

The plan of coöperation between our Convention and the Home Mission Society and the Southern Baptist Convention makes it necessary for us to raise \$1,000 this year on the field. The prospect is good for raising a much larger amount.

Several new church edifices are being built, ranging in value from \$500 to \$4,000. Other churches would build if they could receive some assistance. We are securing a number of strong additions to our ministry, some coming from churches in other States, and others directly from theological seminaries.

Interest in the prosperity of Oklahoma not only draws business men here, but makes it much easier for us to provide the churches with pastors. A few years ago it was almost impossible to induce a sufficient number of good pastors to come to Oklahoma. Now there are more men than vacant churches.

Added strength to our forces is due, in part, to the removal to this field of many excellent members from the churches in other States.

It is hardly possible to describe the needs of this field. With a population of more than 400,000 people, a property valuation of over \$100,000,000, and a large territory soon to be opened for settlement, it is certain this is to be one of the richest agricultural States in the Union.

During the present year there is an unusual amount of railroad building. As a result towns are springing up that demand our attention as a Missionary Convention. The productiveness of the land makes the future stability of most of these towns a certainty.

If the present prosperity continues many of the churches that have been receiving Home Mission aid will become self-supporting, and thus enable the Convention to take up many new and promising fields. From the

present spirit manifested, it certainly is not unreasonable to expect these older churches to assume great responsibilities in evangelizing Oklahoma, and thus prove themselves entirely worthy of what has been done for them.

It is not the hope of an enthusiast, unsupported by reasonable prospects, to say that we have the hope that Oklahoma will become one of the greatest Baptist States in the Southwest. Baptists to-day have a preponderance of sentiment and influence; and with the generous gifts from Home Mission Society treasuries and the favor of God, nothing but personal unworthiness can prevent us from making this a great Christian commonwealth.

COLORADO.

REV. THOMAS STEPHENSON, PUEBLO, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

It has been my privilege to travel over a small portion of the great State of Colorado since my election, February 1, 1901. The field is new to me; it will require time to lay plans and mature them. Colorado mountains are a manifold treasure house, full of gold, silver, lead, iron, coal, copper, zinc, and other precious metals; the mineral deposits being practically inexhaustible, the future of Colorado grows brighter every year. In Pueblo, Colorado City, Florence, Canon City, Durango, and nearly every other mining camp new reduction works and smelters are being built. Rich mines are growing richer, and new mines are being opened and developed. Low-grade ore, by new processes of treatment, will soon all be utilized, giving employment to thousands of men.

The missionary work, under the capable and consecrated leadership of Rev. J. W. Crooks, has made rapid progress during the last two years. Our missions are all doing well, and new fields are opening up and many of them are white for the harvest. Missionary pastors are wanting to come to our State, and the only thing we need is money. Colorado produces more gold than any other State in the Union, but it is not used for the Lord's work, therefore, we have to lean heavily upon the Home Mission Society for money to carry forward our work. We need men who are adapted for Colorado, young, active, and consecrated. Pastors who can make a success in some States find it hard to wrestle with the miners and speculators of Colorado, who have no respect for a man because he is a preacher; they respect him because he is a man after he proves himself to be worthy and well qualified to interest and instruct them.

The General Missionary believes that the State Convention ought to select men with great care, pay larger salaries, and secure men who can adapt themselves to the peculiar conditions existing in our State.

The State Convention expects to enlarge its operations in the near

future, employ a Swedish Missionary for the State work, also a District Missionary, to labor among the English-speaking people in the destitute portions of the State.

NEW MEXICO.

REV. GEORGE H. BREWER, ALBUQUERQUE, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

My service with the Society began September 1, 1900. Previous to that the late Rev. John W. Crooks was the General Missionary for New Mexico. He greatly endeared himself to the churches and individuals among whom he labored. We sincerely lament his death. His name will ever be lovingly associated with New Mexico's Baptist history. Owing to the brief period of my incumbency as General Missionary on this field, my report must necessarily be based upon a limited experience and acquaintance. The past year has been one of special blessing, and God's abounding favor has been constantly manifested.

RAPID DEVELOPMENT.

The growth of New Mexico Baptist missions during the year just closed has been the most rapid of all the years that have passed. There has been a net gain of 45 per cent, in membership, over 100 per cent. in benevolences, while local expenses have all been paid and many old debts canceled. The total membership of mission churches now approximates 1,000. One hundred and fifty persons were baptized during the year, \$1,200 was given for benevolences, against less than \$300 last year. Five new churches were organized, some of them at important strategic points. The churches at Hagerman, Florence, and Malaga, which were almost extinct, have recently been resuscitated and are now having preaching at regular and stated times. There is also good prospect of organizing four more churches, averaging 20 members each, in the immediate future.

There are twenty-eight organized Baptist churches in the Territory and two unassociated colored churches. Thirteen missionaries have been under appointment. In all nineteen missionaries have rendered service on these fields. Some of them receive their support from other sources. At the present time none of the churches are self-supporting.

NEW MEXICO BAPTIST CONVENTION.

One very important factor in bringing about this satisfactory showing has been the organization of the New Mexico Baptist Convention. This step, long deferred, proved the one needed stimulus to awaken the Bap-

tists of the Territory to the idea of self-help and independence. The liberal terms of coöperation which the Home Mission Society proposed, added not a little to the interest which this movement has awakened throughout New Mexico. The organization of our Convention was the outgrowth of the wise counsel and advice of Dr. N. B. Rairden, of Omaha. The meeting for perfecting this organization was held at Las Cruces, November 16-18, 1900.

SANTA FÉ ASSOCIATION.

Another distinct advance in our work was the formation of the Santa Fé Association—comprising the churches in the Rio Grande valley, and along the main line of the Santa Fé Railroad; organized at Albuquerque, May 10-12, 1900.

MEXICAN WORK.

One year ago there was not a single Mexican church in the Territory. To-day we have two distinctly Mexican churches, both of which have preaching in Spanish each Sunday. The church at Doña Ana, where there is a very large Mexican population, has grown from eleven members to twenty-eight within the first few months of its existence. Rev. C. Castillo is our missionary at this point. He is also preaching at four or five out-stations. The Mexican church at Velarde was organized in February. The outlook is bright. Rev. W. H. Rishel, our missionary teacher in the school at Velarde, is serving the church as pastor until we can furnish a native missionary to take charge of the work.

With a Mexican population bordering on 150,000 within the Territory, the opportunities now presenting themselves call for immediate advance in this department of our work. Roswell and Florence are two other points where we have recently begun work in behalf of the Mexicans. At each of these places we could organize churches at once if the means for their maintenance were assured. One missionary could care for both these fields and do a general work among the Mexicans throughout the rich and populous Pecos valley. Three hundred and fifty dollars would support him for a year.

Lack of means alone prevents us from greatly enlarging the Mexican and Indian work.

DIFFICULTIES.

The most serious difficulty confronting us at the present time is lack of meeting houses. Some of our newer churches in promising fields are obliged to conduct their services in private dwellings, tents, out-of-doors—in fact, anywhere. If these churches are to gain a permanent foothold and

fulfill their mission they must have buildings at once. Some of them have made heroic struggles to raise funds among themselves and in their respective communities, but they have come far short of the requisite amount, even for a modest adobe chapel. A little help at this time from the Church Edifice Fund will go a long way. If we fail to meet this need promptly the opportunity will be lost.

Another difficulty is that opportunities and destitution seem to be multiplying far faster than we can meet them with our limited means. New railroads are being built, new towns springing up, new mission fields are appealing for aid, and, along with it all, Satan and his agents are seeking to occupy the field. In many places he is already strongly intrenched. A visit to almost any one of the mining camps in this Territory would awaken in any one a profound sense of the appalling necessity for immediate and vigorous missionary endeavor to redeem them and purify them from the control of evil forces.

ENCOURAGEMENTS.

Several of our more important churches are soon to be self-supporting. The churches at Albuquerque, Las Vegas, Raton, Alamogordo, and Roswell, are all making rapid strides toward that end. Contributions to State Convention work have been generous and regular. Over \$500 has been paid in since September 1st. The Baptist churches of New Mexico made the largest material and numerical gain, this past year, of any denomination in the Territory. The establishment of a Baptist school at Alamogordo, where now there are over 100 students in attendance, will doubtless prove an important factor in the development of our interests. All these things encourage us greatly, and we confidently look forward to larger and better things.

MONTANA, SOUTHERN IDAHO, UTAH, WYOMING.

REV. L. G. CLARK, HELENA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

MONTANA.

Our mission work in Montana, Southern Idaho, Utah, and Wyoming, during the past year has been in many respects most encouraging. In Montana there has been a general strengthening of nearly all the churches. In this connection we might make special mention of such fields as Billings, Kalispell, and Great Falls. At Billings valuable lots have been secured, and steps have been taken toward securing funds with which to begin the erection of a much-needed house of worship. At Kalispell, a fine chapel for the mission Sunday School has been built. Great Falls Swedish

church is engaged in building a new house of worship, which, when completed, will enable the church to do much more effective work on its large field. The American church at Great Falls has recently entered upon what seems to be an era of greater prosperity. Bozeman and the great Gallatin Valley have also had a year of marked prosperity. We rejoice to have a good man in the Bitter Root valley; but this and other fields in our State afford an opportunity for more workers. At Anaconda the outlook is more hopeful than it was at the beginning of the year. It has not seemed wise to organize any new churches in Montana during the past year. So the number of churches and pastors remain about the same as last year. The advance in the work at Butte City has been noteworthy, and we ought to have more than one worker in that large field.

SOUTHERN IDAHO.

In South Idaho there has been some enlargement of our work. Two churches have been organized, and all the churches have been more fully supplied with faithful pastoral oversight than for some time past. There has been a noteworthy spirit of revival on many of the fields, and recent reports from the pastors indicate that many souls have been brought into the Kingdom. The growth of our work in South Idaho makes it a somewhat perplexing question as to how we can care for the field without more men and more money. Nearly all our missionary pastors are now in charge of from two to three churches. Rev. L. W. Gowen, Missionary Colporteur for the Publication Society, has been very helpful to some of the pastors in special meetings during the winter. Our State Boards, both in Montana and Idaho, have greatly encouraged the work, and funds for State Missions have been secured with little trouble. We feel that the plan of coöperation, for which we are so largely indebted to our wise and efficient General Superintendent of Missions, Dr. N. B. Riarden, has already been a great blessing to our cause in Montana and Idaho.

UTAH.

The Utah work has, in some respects, encountered unusual difficulties during the year. Four pastors have resigned: Brother J. O. Burroughs, at Mercur; Brother J. D. Johnson, at Murray; Brother E. H. Shanks, at the East Side church, Salt Lake City, and Brother H. B. Steelman, at the First church, Salt Lake City. But, with the exception of Mercur, there is now much encouragement that the work on all these important fields will be cared for by good men already on the field, or soon to be there. The Utah Associational meeting this year was one of the most encouraging in its history. The excellent progress that is being made at Ogden and

Provo, under the wise and faithful leadership of the two pastors who have remained in the State, is most gratifying. We hope and pray that the brethren who are to be fellow pastors with these may be men of like spirit and devotion to the interests of the Baptist cause in Utah.

WYOMING.

In Wyoming the year has been one of holding on strongly and of going slowly. The pastors now at Cheyenne, Laramie, and Basin City are the same brethren who have been upon these fields for some years past; and they have been doing heroic work on their respective fields, where each has found himself face to face with conditions unique and difficulties most trying. We have reason to feel thankful when good men are found who are willing to "stay with the work" on some of these Western fields.

During the year two most excellent brethren have accepted pastorates in Wyoming. One of these at the important field of Sherman, in the northwestern part of the State; the other at Evanston, in the southwestern section. On both of these fields there are indications of most encouraging advancement in the work. In the Big Horn Basin, at Basin City, a new house of worship was dedicated a few months ago. As yet we have done but little for Wyoming. Still, something has been accomplished in the way of a beginning which means a great deal. The missionary work which has been done in such States as Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, and Montana has, at least, demonstrated the fact that Baptist churches can be planted and made to live anywhere that men live, who need the truth and the blessings of Christianity.

The past year, like the years which have gone before, has, on this field, as on other fields, emphasized the need as well as the worth and the wisdom of Home Mission work in the new West.

PACIFIC DIVISION: ALASKA, WASHINGTON, NORTHERN IDAHO, OREGON, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA AND ARIZONA.

C. A. WOODY, D.D., PORTLAND, ORE., SUPERINTENDENT.

During the year two of our General Missionaries, who have served for some years with large success and acceptance, resigned their work. Rev. Gilman Parker, in Oregon, and Rev. Robert Whitaker, of Northern California. Each has settled over an important church in the Division. Their advice and counsel are thereby not lost to the field.

In Oregon, Rev. George R. Varney, a graduate of Rochester University and Seminary, and a pastor of some years' experience, was secured to take

up the work with the beginning of December. In Northern California, Rev. E. R. Bennett, a pastor of wide experience, trained in Kalamazoo College and Rochester Seminary, succeeded Mr. Whitaker, beginning his work with January 1st last. These brethren come to large and promising fields, and have entered hopefully upon their work. Another marked feature of the year was the heroic rally of the Convention of Northern California to pay off its entire indebtedness, and to provide an adequate new house of worship at Palo Alto, both of which things were successfully accomplished by the generous coöperation of the Society. The one feature of the year which specially mark the close of the year in all parts of the Division, is the pressure of new fields and work upon the attention of the Convention. The reports of the General Missionaries will bring out this point most clearly I have no doubt. I come now to speak of each of the fields somewhat in detail.

ALASKA.

Our missionary pastor, Rev. J. C. Jordan, closed his work at Skagway in June, 1900. In a few weeks afterwards we were fortunately able to secure the services of Rev. G. S. Clevenger, of South Dakota, to take up the work. During the year some decided improvement has been made in the property, including the building of a comfortable parsonage, and the general development of the work. Large audiences have been gathered, weekly lecture courses, both for the general public, and in the New Testament for the soldiers of the post, have been established and carried forward with large interest.

Alaska continues its rapid development, and the opportunities for the establishment of new centers of evangelistic effort continue to multiply. The points to which I called attention in my last report still call imperatively for Gospel laborers. In addition to these may be mentioned the growing town of Valdes and other promising points on the Kenai peninsula. Indications at this writing also point to a very large population during the coming season in the valley of the Tenana river. I hope that it is to be possible to send one or two additional missionaries into Alaska during the year to come.

EAST WASHINGTON AND NORTH IDAHO CONVENTION.

The work in this Convention has never been carried forward on a larger scale than at present, and the character and ability of the missionary force has never been higher than now. During the past year the General Missionary has been able to secure the settlement of nine young brethren with College and Seminary training, who have entered most enthusiastically upon their life work in this new field. With but three churches on the field of the whole Convention supporting their own pastors and

maintaining regular weekly services, it can be seen that if other churches shall have these regular services, it must be by the aid of the Convention. Sixteen of the churches which have been organized are now without preaching service or pastoral oversight. Three Associational missionaries should be at once appointed; at not less than six points should new churches be organized, and in Spokane we are losing ground daily by not organizing another church and two new missions, and appointing a mission pastor and a city missionary. The work now being done is prosperous and successful; but it needs to be considerably enlarged, both in order to conserve what has been done in other years and that new and promising fields may be occupied.

WESTERN WASHINGTON CONVENTION.

In the amount of its appropriations for the current conventional year this Convention has made a great advance, having voted the largest amount of any Convention in my Division. The field is compact and has a considerable number of vigorous churches. In addition to the large advance made in its annual missionary expenditure, the payment of \$5,000 of debt by the First Church of Tacoma, and the payment of the full amount of indebtedness by the North Church of Seattle, and the pledging of all their debts by the Puyallup and Centralia churches, are other features of the year which are grounds of rejoicing.

The work among the Japanese should be enlarged, to keep pace with the considerable immigration which is scattering a multitude of these people along all railroad lines in the State. Both in Tacoma and Seattle the work should be enlarged, and will be enlarged during the year to come. Fairhaven, on Bellingham Bay, should have a church and a missionary pastor at once. This is a city of 4,500 population, and a considerable adjacent population. Sedro-Wooley, with 1,200 population, should be occupied, and twenty-one other towns of from 1,000 to 3,000 population, in which Baptists are not represented, need to be carefully examined and our duty to them considered, while perhaps one hundred new towns with from 300 to 800 people, need to be prospected and their future growth considered, and our duty, in view of their future growth and importance, considered. Our work, large and prosperous as it is, has come far short of its possible scope and power. In the nine Indian reservations, with an Indian population of 2,100, we are doing nothing.

OREGON.

Special attention is called to the report of the General Missionary for some suggestive facts. It is gratifying that while the State has made a growth of a little more than 31 per cent. during the past ten years, the

Baptist Church membership has increased 60 per cent. This is especially noteworthy in view of the fact that during these years there has been a larger amount of difference, lasting through most of the period, among Oregon Baptists than in any similar period in their history. I have been making as careful a study of the real situation of the denomination in the State as possible. In the fifty towns and cities of Oregon, with 1,000 or more population, we have 43 churches. Eight of these are in Portland and three other towns have two churches each. In 17 of these towns, therefore, we are unrepresented. In the towns with a population of 500 to 1,000, there are 146 towns, in but 31 of which are Baptists represented. In other communities with village centers, of which there are about 200, we have about 50 churches only. There are more than 900 post offices in the State, and Baptist churches are found at not more than 140 of them. There are 2,081 public school districts with 2070 school-houses, and in less than 150 of these school districts do we have any organized Baptist work. With these suggestions of unoccupied fields there should be put a further fact, *viz.*, that a larger proportion of the Baptist churches in Oregon than in any other State with which I am acquainted is without pastoral oversight. This makes work in Oregon as a whole most difficult and perplexing. To care for this large number of small and pastorless churches calls for the adoption of some system of grouping a number of churches under one pastor, and with this the employment of several district missionaries.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.

The Convention of Northern and Central California includes also the work in Nevada. If area and destitution were the determining factors this Convention would have the first claim upon the attention of the Society. Other factors also enter in to determine the importance of a field, but the two named are always important, and thus make this field worthy of large and special consideration.

With the payment of its debt to the Society last year, this Convention proposed to enter as fast as it might, with safety, upon some enlargement of its work. The first part of the present year has been spent in carefully examining some new fields to determine the wisdom and possibility of entering them. An appointment has just been made of a District missionary with his headquarters and the chief field of his operations in Marysville, one of the largest fields north of Sacramento. I hope that some further enlargement may be secured during the present Convention year. So far as I can recall the facts of previous years the churches of this Convention are more largely supplied with pastors than at any time in its history. This, with the helpful outlook for crops and the steady development of the oil industry in considerable areas of this field promises well for larger work and a more rapid growth than has been possible heretofore.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA.

The work of the denomination in Southern California goes steadily forward. In former years I have called attention to the fact that the point of largest need and greatest promise is in the city of Los Angeles. This is still true. The year has seen considerable improvement in the condition of the churches of the city, but the need still exists for the enlargement of the number of the churches. If this can be done with the opening of the coming Conventional year and the work pressed as at present in other portions of the field, I shall feel that we are measurably discharging our duty in Southern California.

The Arizona work during the year has been increasingly important by reason of the rapid growth of population. Three new churches have been organized and several others might be organized at once if there might be some assurance of help from the Society for pastoral support. In April the question of organizing these churches into a Convention for supervising their own work is to be considered. This will doubtless be done, and it will deepen the interest of the churches in the development of the work in their territory. Two District missionaries, one to work along the line of the Santa Fé Railroad, and the other in Southern Arizona, is the first and imperative need. I hope the way is to be opened for this measure of advancement with the coming fall.

IN GENERAL.

It is pleasant to report the utmost sympathy and harmony among all our working force. Arrangements were perfected at the Conventions last fall for an Annual Conference of the Missionaries of the Society in connection with each of the Conventions. It is believed that this will further promote fellowship and acquaintanceship, and in particular unify methods of work.

PERSONAL SERVICE.

My personal service is in part represented by the following figures: Weeks of service, 52; miles traveled, 22,427; letters written, 1,188; churches, associations and other public meetings attended, 137; Conferences, calls, and such meetings, 325; pages of tracts distributed, 21,720; paid for traveling expenses, \$521.64; paid for postage, stationery and incidental expenses, \$158.81.

EASTERN WASHINGTON AND NORTHERN IDAHO.

REV. A. M. ALLYN, SPOKANE, WASHINGTON, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The field of this Convention comprises that portion of Washington and Idaho lying between the Cascade Mountains and Montana, embracing about

65,000 square miles of territory, divided into farming, grazing, fruit-growing, lumbering and mining districts. The population, about 275,000, is mostly American.

We have on this field 57 Baptist churches, with a total membership of 2,800. We have had under appointment of the Home Mission Society some portion of the past year, besides the Chinese teacher and the General Missionary, 25 missionary pastors, who have supplied for all or part of the time 27 churches and 16 out-stations. The average number of missionary pastors has been 17, and the average number of churches supplied, 23. The present number of missionary pastors is 18. These missionaries have preached 2,220 sermons, made 5,500 religious visits, baptized 112 persons, and received into their churches in other ways 130. These churches have raised for the support of their local work about \$10,500, and for benevolences about \$1,800. They own property valued at \$37,000.

Of the 57 churches within the bounds of the Convention, 5 are supporting themselves; 27 are supplied by missionary aid; 9 are supplied by men engaged in secular callings; 16 are without preaching; 29 have meeting-houses, and 28 are houseless. We raised from all sources last year for Convention missions, \$1,117; to this the Society added about \$5,300. In order to carry the work now in hand the Convention must raise this year \$1,500 to \$1,800, and the Society will add \$6,000.

These sums, however, are entirely inadequate to meet the demands of our work. With fifteen to twenty churches without pastors, and three to five becoming defunct from neglect every year, it is impossible to make much progress, or reach out to new fields as we ought to do. There are several places where Baptists have been anxious to organize churches for more than a year, but we dare not encourage the formation of new churches when we have no means to sustain them. In order to supply preaching for one-half time in our churches now without aid, and take up one or two new fields each year, we must have at least \$10,000 to expend in missionary aid. If the Society could furnish \$8,000 and the Convention \$2,000, very rapid progress could be made. For two years there has been no increase in our Convention contributions, and I do not see how there can be any considerable increase until more of our churches are supplied with preaching. Western churches that have no preaching will, as a rule, raise no money, and we cannot supply more preaching without more money. So the work stands, and progress is almost impossible. What is to be done? One thousand dollars additional funds would start the ball of progress, but it would require another \$1,000 to keep it rolling.

IMMIGRATION.

Immigration is pouring in upon us. Every train from the East is crowded with homeseekers, and thousands come to stay. New towns are

springing up and new doors of opportunity are opening for our work every month. We ought to be in condition to enter them at the Master's bidding.

The Home Mission Society is doing its best for us. It has been generous, kind, and sympathetic. It gives out all the money it receives. Will not Eastern Baptists see to it that its funds are adequate to meet the growing demands of our Western work, and that by its generous and timely aid we may not only keep our existing churches alive, but form new churches in other important towns into which the Baptist fathers and mothers of the East are sending their boys and girls in such large numbers? Otherwise many of the Baptist young people coming West will soon be found in pedo-Baptist churches.

With one-half of our churches without pastors or houses of worship, and one-third of them without preaching, comments upon the difficulties of raising money are not necessary.

Two new meeting-houses have been dedicated, two purchased from other denominations, and one destroyed by fire since my last report. Four meeting-houses are now in process of erection, but neither of them can be completed until aid can be furnished from the Church Edifice Funds of the Home Mission Society.

Nine young men fresh from College and Seminary have taken work among us during the past year. They are men of fine ability and thorough education, and are doing splendid work. Nearly all our pastors are now men of culture and consecration, and the work being done on our fields is of a highly spiritual and Christ-like character, so that while we are not reaching out to new fields as we would like, our churches having pastors are being developed as never before.

NORTHWEST CONVENTION—WESTERN WASHINGTON.

REV. WILLIAM E. RANDALL, TACOMA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The Convention territory is unique. A vast forest, extending from the crest of the Cascade Range to the Pacific Ocean and from British Columbia to the Columbia River, embracing about three times the area of Massachusetts. A harbor, Puget Sound, containing 2,000 square miles of water, with 1,600 miles of shore line, affording room and safe anchorage for the navies and commerce of the globe. Diversified sources of wealth; lumbering and ship building; commerce with Alaska and nearly every important country of the earth; mineral wealth, including an exhaustless quantity of coal; agriculture and horticulture. Circumstances combine to make the Puget Sound country the objective point for a vast company of persons seeking homes, health and business opportunities. Population is increasing at an unprecedented rate.

A YEAR OF ACTIVITY.

Thirty-nine missionaries have been under appointment during the year, thirty-three being in service at the close of the period, this being the largest force of workers ever sustained upon the field. The missionary pastors have cared for forty-three churches and thirty-four out-stations. The force of workers has included a Swedish missionary and a General Missionary.

The forward movement of the year has yielded substantial results. Six new church edifices have been erected, and three are under construction. In seven instances the new buildings are the first church edifices erected in new communities. Buildings have been invariably dedicated without debt. Old, burdensome debts have been removed from many churches. During the last quarter this work has progressed at the rate of nearly \$1,000 a week. The sacrifice invested cannot well be estimated. There has been a gain of above 100 per cent. in the number of conversions and baptisms; a large increase in contributions to Foreign Missions, Convention work, and local expenses.

Missionary work is prosecuted among seven nationalities. The work for the Chinese and Japanese, for whom three missionaries are sustained, merits the consideration of persons interested in "world-wide evangelization." The far-reaching influence of this work, as it favorably affects mission work upon the foreign field, cannot be easily overestimated. We have one church composed entirely of Japanese, with a membership of twenty-two. The quality of discipleship among these brethren is indicated by their Convention offering, amounting to \$72.85.

AN ERA OF OPPORTUNITY.

The time has arrived for the establishment of our Baptist cause in several additional growing centers of population. This will involve a 50 per cent. increase of expenses, but the demand is imperative.

Our principal cities, Seattle and Tacoma, constitute a tremendous responsibility. In the last-named city, at least one additional church must be immediately equipped with an edifice and missionary pastor. Seattle, with its marvelous growth of 100 per cent. in three years, and its assured future as a great commercial city, presents splendid opportunities for the investment of a sum equal to our entire missionary fund. The founding of several new churches and missions will require an immediate investment of several thousand dollars. It will require \$3,000 per year to conduct a mission among 15,000 people below the "dead line," in the whirlpool of vice, unreached by Christian hearts and hands. The churches now organized are doing well, but cannot undertake the new work outlined without large assistance from the Society.

HOPEFUL CONDITIONS.

A large number of mission churches are pressing toward self-support, and all are willingly increasing financial offerings for the work and responsibility providentially laid upon us at the present time.

To an exceptional degree, our laymen invest thought, time and money in the missionary enterprises of the field. The President of the Convention is leading a movement for doubling the local contributions, thereby making enlargement of operations possible. There is manifested a splendid degree of intelligent enthusiasm in the work of gathering the incoming hosts to Christian hope and church fellowship.

Our field has received valuable help through the frequent visits of C. A. Woody, D.D., Superintendent of Missions. The knowledge of coast conditions possessed by our brother, combined with his good judgment and wise counsel, have made his services of exceptional value. We are grateful for the continuous, enlarging coöperation of the Home Mission Society. Deprived of this, our efforts would fail and disaster would take the place of success. Many and earnest are the prayers that our brethren of the East will make it financially possible for the Society to enlarge the work upon this field at this important period when the religious and Baptist future is being determined. There is an *imperative now* in the religious interests of Washington.

OREGON.

REV. GEORGE R. VARNEY, PORTLAND, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

After six years of heroic labor as General Missionary, Gilman Parker laid down the work and returned to the pastorate October 1. Rev. Frederick A. Agar served most acceptably during October and November. The writer was elected to the position at the meeting of the Convention in October, and began the work the first of December. This report must, therefore, of necessity be imperfect and unsatisfactory.

A FRAMEWORK OF FACTS

I will try to do a little more than to give a framework of facts, leaving the readers to put on the finish.

Oregon is larger than all of the New England States, having 96,030 square miles. We have 413,522 people, 4.3 to a square mile. There are 149 Baptist churches in the State. Of these 108 are in coöperation with the Society and Convention; 8 are German churches in coöperation with the German Conference, and 33 are landmark churches that do not coöperate with either the Society or the Convention. The membership of the 108

coöperating churches and the 8 German churches is 7,000, and of the 33 non-coöperating landmark churches, 1,000, or an average membership for the first two classes of 60, and of 33 for the latter. Omitting the five strongest churches in the State our average membership is reduced to 40.

Of the 104 English-speaking churches in coöperation with the Convention, 13 are self-supporting, 15 have preaching all the time, but are mission churches, 13 have preaching part of the time and are mission churches, while 38 have no preaching at all. Of the 8 German churches, 2 are self-supporting, and 6 have regular pastors, but are mission churches. Of the 4 Scandinavian churches, only one is self-supporting, although the other three have preaching. In other words, of the 116 churches not antagonistic to the Convention, only 16 are self-supporting, only 36 have preaching every Sunday, while 38 have no preaching at all.

The annual per capita contribution of our 7,000 Baptists for all purposes averages \$7.11, which places us thirteenth among the following States in the amount of money contributed by each member. The list is as follows: Massachusetts, \$14.25; New Jersey, \$13.02; Colorado, \$12.40; Minnesota, \$11.55; New York, \$11.18; Southern California, \$10.61; South Dakota, \$9.88; Montana, \$9.68; East Washington and North Idaho, \$8.46; Wisconsin, \$8.29; Nebraska, \$8.13; Western Washington, \$7.41; Oregon, \$7.11; Michigan, \$6.85; Northern and Central California, \$6.85; Kansas, \$3.91. So far as I have been able to learn no other State has as large a per cent. of churches that are doing nothing as Oregon; neither have we any donations from wealthy men. Hence our contributions compare favorably with any State in the Union.

Comparison with the same States along another line shows more favorably for Oregon, namely, in the number of Baptists compared with the population. New Jersey leads, with 1 Baptist to every 35 of the population. Kansas has 1 in 36; Massachusetts, 1 in 39; New York, 1 in 46; Oregon, 1 in 51; Michigan, 1 in 54; Colorado, 1 in 64; South Dakota, 1 in 68; Nebraska, 1 in 70; Southern California, 1 in 80; Western Washington, 1 in 82; Minnesota, 1 in 86; Montana, 1 in 92; Northern and Central California, 1 in 100; Wisconsin, 1 in 108; East Washington and North Idaho, 1 in 115.

The work done by our missionaries and the results of their labors will also compare favorably with other States. From April 1, 1900, to April 1, 1901, we had 39 different missionaries at work. Had they all worked through the entire year they would have given 2,028 weeks of labor to the field; they gave 1,494. They preached 4,481 sermons at their 33 churches and 22 out-stations, attended 1,811 prayer meetings, made 9,885 religious visits, received 234 members by baptism and 297 by letter and experience; administered the Lord's Supper 155 times; distributed 14,909

pages of tracts; collected \$90.09 for Home Missions, \$369.29 for Foreign Missions, \$57.40 for the Publication Society, \$1,161.07 for Convention, and \$901.19 for other beneficences. They had 34 Bible Schools under their charge, which contributed \$734.17 for their current expenses, \$13.11 for Home Missions, and \$97.20 for other objects. The General Missionary and District missionaries visited 126 places, traveled 21,899 miles and wrote 1,823 letters.

The spiritual condition of our mission churches is one of the bright features of our work. From October 1, 1899, to October 1, 1900, there were 244 baptisms in the Baptist churches of the State in coöperation with the Convention, and 135 of those were in the mission churches. From April 1, 1900, to March 15, 1901, there were 234 baptisms in our mission churches and 297 additions by letter and experience.

The spiritual destitution in various parts of the State is one of the dark and appalling features of the work.

Our chief problem is how to secure money with which to pay our debt of over \$1,900, support the missionaries already under appointment, aid the 38 churches that are doing nothing, and send the Gospel into the hundreds of destitute places in the State. We are now employing 30 missionaries, including the General Missionary, the Swedish missionary, the Danish-Norwegian missionary, the Chinese missionary, and two District missionaries, paying over \$8,000 a year for their support—two-thirds of which is given by the Society; but this is only about half of what we ought to be doing.

The Word teaches us that it is not wise to compare ourselves among ourselves, but that we ought to take Christ as our standard. Oregon Baptists will not be satisfied when they shall have become the head rather than almost the tail of our coast churches, but will seek to attain unto the stature of full-grown manhood.

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.

REV. E. R. BENNETT, OAKLAND, CAL., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Our field is of unique interest at the present time because of our position, right in the path of progress and because of the influence upon us, together with other portions of the Pacific coast, of political and commercial expansion. Under the impulse of recent events, old centers of population are being revived and new centers founded.

A new life throbs in the veins, and great business activity is manifest everywhere. Not only is the area and the producing capacity of our orchards being greatly increased every year, but it has been recently discovered that there are vast stores of oil on this slope, and lands that were

two years ago "dear at any price" are now sold at fabulous prices. Then, too, a kind Providence has sent us bountiful rains, and heavy snows in the mountains, to fill the natural reservoirs, thus ensuring good crops for at least two years to come.

All this gives ambition and courage to the people, and a spirit of enterprise characterizes religious life to a degree that we have not seen for a long time. Frantic appeals are made for help to secure church privileges in the new centers, while old and weak interests are being reanimated. California is a great open field; and, with the present trend of civilization and commercial activity toward our Golden Gate, its importance can hardly be overestimated. The time is ripe for action. No General Missionary can meet the pressing demands for aid and counsel.

The State of Nevada is yet practically virgin soil. We have two churches, one pastor and one district missionary, with several promising missions in that great State.

In California, our Convention includes 48 counties, with an area of 100,000 square miles, and a population of 1,000,000. It has 1,285 post-offices, representing centers of population. In all this territory we have 135 Baptist churches, with a membership of about 10,500, or a little more than 1 to the 100 of population. In San Francisco we have 1 to 254, in the smaller cities 1 to 50, and in the rural districts 1 to 117 of the population. There are 27 cities and towns of 1,000 to 5,000, in which we have no work at all. In 21 out of 48 counties we have no workers. In only 14 counties are we doing strictly rural work. Advance must be attempted in this last direction soon.

Our work among the foreign population is encouraging but inadequate. The Chinese work is making steady progress. Two more were baptized at San Francisco last week, and four were received for baptism at the Oakland Mission last evening. This last work is specially interesting. The new chapel, recently dedicated, is the pride of the "boys", who gave generously for its erection, providing some \$2,300 toward its cost.

But we should have some workers among the Japanese. We are failing in duty, and falling behind other denominations in work with and for this very interesting people. The Swede work is prosperous, and in good hands, but the Dano-Norwegian is insufficiently manned. Only one missionary to 30,000 of their people. Very gratifying advance has been made during the year in our colored work. The work of their churches has been unified by the forming of an association, which has been received into the Convention, and the work of Brother Morgan, the District Missionary among them, is of a substantial and helpful character.

It will be seen from statistics already given, that the neglected portion of our field is the city of San Francisco. It is highly important that definite and well-planned missionary work be undertaken in that city at once.

The chief difficulty of such a movement is that we are so weak locally. The advance movement is delayed by the large outlay necessary to permanent work, in the way of lots and shelter.

The Convention officials are earnestly studying the situation with the feeling that the present is the best time that we have seen for enlargement of our work at this point.

We have now employed 19 missionary pastors, 4 District missionaries, and a Chinese evangelist, besides the teachers in Chinese schools, a lady missionary among the Swedes, and the General Missionary. Our missionary pastors baptized last year 147. Total additions to mission churches, 271.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA.

REV. C. T. DOUGLASS, PASADENA, CAL., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The beginning of Baptist work in Southern California dates back forty-eight years. But for thirteen years of this time there was only one small church in existence, indeed, most of the growth that has taken place has been within the last twenty years, during which period we have on an average organized about one church every four months, but some of these only maintained a feeble existence for a time, and expired for lack of support.

At the present time we have 78 churches, including 10 among the colored people, and 3 others not affiliated with our Convention. The total membership is about 7,000, but owing to the migratory character of the population, some of these churches have quite a large number of non-resident members, and in all of them their power for effective work is weakened by frequent losses from removals.

There are ten churches, each with an enrolled membership of 200 or more, and others with membership ranging from 100 to 200 each, but the remaining 61 are small, and many of them find it difficult to maintain their existence and do effective work in the communities where they are located. Some of them occupy strategic points, and for the sake of the future, ought to be strongly supported.

During the past year 21 missionaries have occupied 27 fields, not including a number of small out-stations. These have performed 989 weeks of labor, or the equivalent of 19 years and 1 week for one man.

Two thousand and twelve sermons have been preached, 1,325 prayer meetings attended. Eight thousand nine hundred and eighty religious visits have been made, 114 have been baptized, and 175 have been added by letter and experience, making the total additions to the missionary churches for the year 289.

About one-fourth of the baptisms reported by all the churches, and more than one-fourth of the total additions, were in the mission churches, which speaks well for the success of our work, when we remember that these represent only a little more than one-sixth of the entire membership of all our churches.

They have raised for improvement of church property, \$5,191; for Convention, 412.55; for Home Missions, \$185.88; for Foreign Missions, \$748.96; for the Publication Society, \$58.23; for other benevolences, \$313.64.

Under the care of the missionary pastors are 24 Sunday Schools, having an enrollment of about 1,750. These have raised for their own expenses, \$714.16. They have also contributed to Foreign Missions and to various other objects.

Two churches have been organized, one at Oxnard and one at San Pedro. At the former place a good house of worship has been built, at a cost of \$2,600, and would have been paid for, had it not been for the continued drouth in that valley last year. As it is a debt of \$1,000 remains on the property. At San Pedro, the Sunday School organized two years ago, now numbers over seventy, and since the organization of the church, several have been baptized. It is believed that this will be an important point in the future.

Several of our churches, some of them with the aid of the Home Mission Society, have recently paid long-standing debts, and others are making a desperate effort to do so.

Perhaps the most important field occupied by any of our missionaries at the present time is East Los Angeles, where we have a church of about 100 resident members, with property worth about \$7,000, situated in the center of a population of 10,000, and separated from the main part of the city by the Los Angeles River. This church, however, is greatly hindered in the prosecution of its work by a burdensome debt of \$1,700, about one-half of which has just been pledged by the members, on condition that the entire amount be raised from some outside source.

But lack of space forbids my writing, at length, of many other fields growing in importance, such, for instance, as Bakersfield, where, owing to the oil developments, the population is rapidly increasing.

Fullerton, also, is profiting much from the same cause. The completion of the coast line of railway between Los Angeles and San Francisco insures speedy growth to several important points along the line, at some of which we already have small churches. And at other points much more could be wisely expended in the organization and development of interests which both spiritually and financially would give large returns in the future.

Our work is now well organized, and the gains that we are making are of a permanent character, but it should be remembered that our work

is still of a pioneer kind, we are trying to lay well the foundation for a structure that in the coming years shall be an honor to the Baptists of the country.

Our greatest need is more money with which to prosecute the work, not only for the support of missions, but also for the building of meeting houses, for it is of little use to organize a church, unless it is soon to have a home in which to keep house.

ARIZONA.

In this territory our work, as far as organized, has prospered well during the year. Pastors Halsey, at Phoenix; Whitaker, at Tempe; Banks, at Mesa; Taylor, at Prescott; Thomas, at Tucson, have all been doing good and successful work, and their churches are gradually increasing in numbers and in strength.

In the Verde valley are two small churches, which have had for quite a long time the pastoral care of Rev. R. A. Windes, but he has now moved elsewhere, and it seems sad to think that the work already begun, may languish for lack of a missionary.

In the Southeast portion of the Territory, the Gila Valley is a fertile section of comparatively new country, traversed by the Gila Valley, Globe and Northern Railway. Along the line of this railway quite a number of towns are growing up, some of them quite rapidly. It is the stronghold of Mormonism in the Territory, and missionary work is greatly needed.

Miss Addie H. Watts, missionary of the Women's Society, of the West, has spent nearly three months in this valley, and recently your General Missionary spent some time holding meetings at Safford and visiting several other points. A church has been organized at Safford, and now has about twenty members. A church has also been organized at Shiloh, and meetings are frequently held at Lone Star.

If a District Missionary could be appointed for this valley at once, and devote one-half of his time to Safford, I believe \$500 could be raised on the field for his support the first year.

In my report last year I suggested the importance of the appointment of a District Missionary to work in several towns along the line of the Santa Fé Railroad, with Flagstaff for the center. Since that time quite a number of Baptists, becoming tired of waiting, have gone into other churches, and the outlook for our work there is hardly as good as a year ago.

In the mountain regions of the Territory the developments in mining, lumbering and grazing interests, and in the valleys the success attending the raising of fruits and grains are attracting many from every part of the country.

If the Baptists are to hold a leading place among the religious denominations in this Territory it is positively necessary that the work be greatly

enlarged at once; otherwise we shall find ourselves outstripped by other denominations, and placed at a great disadvantage by having the fields all previously occupied. If the offerings to the Society can be so increased that larger appropriations can be made for the work in all this great Southwest, we can take up work at many new and important points, and that this ought to be done, without further delay, no one familiar with the conditions can question.

THE FRENCH WORK IN NEW ENGLAND.

REV. J. N. WILLIAMS, PROVIDENCE, R. I., SUPERINTENDENT.

In most respects our French work has been moving on in the even tenor of its way, with some conversions and baptisms in each one of our fields. Mission work has been carried on in each of the New England States except Vermont, with the following distribution of our scanty forces: One missionary in Maine, one in New Hampshire, and one in Connecticut, two in Rhode Island, and nine in Massachusetts, where nearly one-half, or 273,000 of the New England French population is found. A somewhat marked feature of the work during the year has been the conversion and subsequent accession to our corps of missionaries of a Roman Catholic priest, a man of thorough education, exceptional ability, and unassailable reputation. His influence, as a former member of the Roman hierarchy, who, in the face of loss and danger, and tempting allurements to remain, has taken a firm stand on the side of truth and the Gospel, has been greatly utilized and extended by having him visit a large number of our mission fields to speak in American churches and to address gatherings of his fellow countrymen, always interested to hear what a converted priest has to say about his reasons for exchanging the Roman Catholic priesthood for the Gospel ministry. Much of his work, as associate of Rev. A. St. James, has been done in special in-door and out-door services in Worcester, where formerly, as Oblate father and preacher, he was favorably known. Among the events of the year we may also mention the ordination to the Gospel ministry of a young French brother, a former student of the French Department at Newton Seminary, who after doing very effective work as colporteur in Massachusetts and as missionary pastor at New Bedford, accepted a call to take charge of the French work in Sorel, Canada, under the auspices of the Grande Ligne Mission. Having received the greater part of his preparation for the ministry in the schools of that mission, he felt in honor bound to accede to their wishes, when solicitations from them urged his return to Canada.

The accession from Grand Ligne of Rev. L. F. Côté, himself one of the fruits of our work in New England, a student of Newton and formerly one of our missionaries, but for several years past connected with Grande Ligne, has been an addition of strength and aggressiveness to our missionary corps.

OUR FRENCH MISSIONS FEEDERS TO THE AMERICAN CHURCHES.

Some efforts have been made recently to form a more correct idea of the number of French, who in New England and other parts of the country, have become identified with our Baptist churches as members. Nothing like a thorough canvass of this matter has been made (for this would require exact knowledge of the membership of all our Baptist churches), except in regard to Vermont, where inquiries were made of all the Baptist pastors by "reply" postal cards. Forty-six of those addressed were kind enough to answer. Twenty-five of the Vermont Baptist churches have French members enrolled. Where missionary work has formerly been done, quite a number are reported: In one, forty; in another, fifteen; in another, nine, etc. In one Vermont Baptist church those of French nationality constitute a clear majority of the membership: fifty-four in a membership of ninety-one. That direct missionary work is effective in adding to the membership of our Baptist churches is strikingly apparent from this census of French members in Vermont, where no missionary work is done at present. For from actual count the number of French baptized believers in one of our fields in Massachusetts, Worcester, for example, where our Society has maintained French mission work, is equal to the whole reported membership of that nationality in all the Baptist churches of the State of Vermont. The Baptist church at Waterville, Me., another of our mission fields, has a French membership of 109. Our ideal of French mission work is to make these various mission interests feeders to our American Baptist churches, Christianizing and Americanizing this people, and, like the "underground railroad" of slavery days, passing them along from slavery in Rome, to Gospel liberty in our Evangelical churches. This policy, which is not a policy so much as it is the natural operation of the law of "the survival of the fittest," whether we organize French churches or not, is a constant drain upon our missions as we gradually lose our converts who are drawn into our better equipped American churches, but is the best for all concerned. For, where mission work is abandoned, as in Vermont, French converts have still a home in the local church. Where it is continued, as in the other States, they enjoy all the advantages of church life in our French missions, and at the same time have the benefit of the control and discipline of the experienced and well-manned local American church, into which, in time, their children, thoroughly Americanized as they inevitably become under Protestant influence, will grow up to strengthen and increase our common Evangelical Protestant Christianity.

Our estimate of the number of French converts in our Baptist churches verified more exactly in the case of Vermont, is three thousand five hundred and fifty (3,550).

THE FRENCH WORK IN FIVE EASTERN STATES.

Our work in Maine is centered in Waterville, where there is one of our largest congregations. From this point, Augusta, eighteen miles distant, has been visited by our missionary with most excellent results. Several conversions of Roman Catholics have occurred, four of whom have been baptized into the fellowship of the Augusta Baptist church. The report of our missionary is a cheery one, and so brief that we will give it entire: "We have had 9 baptisms and received 6 by letter. We have a church membership of 109; 88 resident. We have collected \$127 for our current expenses; \$8 for the Publication Society; \$18.73 for the Home Mission Society, and \$140 towards the salary of the missionary. Things are moving on on rollers. Three Roman Catholics are just now tipping the balance our way."

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

French work in this State has been mainly done in Nashua, though our missionary there has regularly visited other centers of French population, such as Somersworth, Dover, etc. The work in Nashua has suffered temporarily from the removal of families to other places. Baptisms six, "and one new family has come to us." There is a plan on foot, which we trust will be carried into execution as soon as the New Hampshire State Convention is in receipt of expected legacies, to have an itinerant missionary whose special work shall be to reach a large class of French in that State who are outside of the great centers of that population and who, from mingling more closely with the American Protestant population, are less under the influence of their clergy and of Roman Catholic appliances, and are more partially Americanized and more accessible than those who are gathered in the great centers of that population where Roman Catholic influences, both social and religious, are so strong and inimical.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Rhode Island State Convention sustains wholly a missionary at Woonsocket, where the French form a clear majority of the population, and also, in coöperation with our Society, one other in Providence as a center. There have been nine baptisms in the former field. Our missionary has met with considerable success in organizing different interests in Providence and vicinity. The following are among some of the interesting items of his report: "Several Roman Catholics have attended our

meetings. Twenty-five have left the Church of Rome. Some expect to be baptized soon. The interest has been steadily growing both in Providence and Central Falls. Collected \$200, of which \$152 has been for rent of our hall. Baptized three."

CONNECTICUT.

In Connecticut Brother Tétreault and his excellent wife have wrought faithfully in Putnam, Danielson and Grosvenor Dale, and we might say, most heroically in open air meetings, in which the Gospel has been preached, according to their estimate, to 9,476. This and the distribution of 7,277 pages of tracts and of 42 Testaments and Bibles, is quite a good record of sowing. He writes under date of March 21st: "We will have six baptisms at Easter. Besides these tokens of God's favor, we have nearly one score of seekers who are hungry after the Gospel truth."

MASSACHUSETTS.

Our work in Massachusetts has been carried on with much vigor in co-operation with the State Convention. A summary of the mission activities, outside of meetings, sermons and visits, is as follows: Brother Lafleur, of Lowell, has a Sabbath School which he says "has paid all its expenses and contributed its mite towards our Baptist interests. Our mission is well organized with a strong constituency. We have some of the best families (French) in the city, with a good number of young people. As a whole the Catholics are quite accessible here in Lowell. Our chapel is without doubt the best in New England for the French. We have put in new pews; graded our yard; built a fence, and done other things to make it more attractive. There have been admitted by Baptism, four by letter. We have placed thirty-one Testaments in good hands, and distributed 3,527 tracts and raised \$275 in church and Sunday School."

Brother St. James, of Worcester, who is busy seeking the funds for clearing the mortgages from the French chapels, and who has secured \$1,100 of the \$2,500 needed, reports twelve French converts baptized, \$594 collected, and writes: "The incident of Brother Coutlée, you know. There is another priest that visits me here now. I called also on him at his home here in Worcester, a young Frenchman, 27 years old, very bright and liberal, but in poor health. Mrs. St. James and I will have him to dinner soon. I had a very interesting wedding last month: A Swede who cannot speak French, and a French girl who cannot speak Swedish. The young girl had been coming to our Beacon street chapel with our young people, but when she came to be married wanted me to perform the ceremony though all her people are Catholics. She is now a Protestant. They

both speak English; that is what they must talk to understand one another. Is not that a good way to make Americans? I am very much encouraged in the work."

Brother Côte, writing of his nine months' work in Lawrence, adds: "Lent and gave away thirteen Bibles and Testaments, distributed hundreds of pages of religious tracts and visited scores of Romanists in their respective homes or at their work. Eight persons were converted; one has already been baptized and five or perhaps seven more are to follow Christ in baptismal waters soon. The converts are for the most part from among those who are by far better off than the average class of Romanists." Removed to New Bedford, left vacant by Brother Sené's return to Canada, he finds that "thirty active members are attached to the French mission. The attendance at the preaching services and the Sunday School is very good indeed. Therefore more roomy quarters were sought for and secured. the 'Howland Chapel' situated midway between the northern and the southern part of the city, will be our new place of worship on the first Sunday of April next, Easter. The annual rent is \$300. The French have contributed \$250. Considering their meagre means, they have done most nobly. We pray and work and anticipate great things for God in the first decade of the twentieth century."

Fall River, the greatest center of French in New England, is the field of labor of Rev. G. Aubin. During the year he has visited 1,656 families; placed in the hands of Roman Catholics 112 New Testaments, many of them with appropriate passages underscored; distributed 2,500 tracts and reports 2 baptisms. He writes: "The interest in our work in this vast field is steadily growing. The number of the readers of the New Testament is rapidly increasing. As a result hundreds of intelligent Roman Catholics are advancing in the direction of a brighter light, a purer form of Christianity. This progress is of a genuine and positive character." He gives several facts in proof of this. We have space for but two: "Last week I met a Roman Catholic to whom I had given a New Testament two years ago. He was really glad to see me, and the next day, at his pressing request. I had to pay him a visit at his home. He wanted me to read the Word of God to him and explain it to him. It would have been impossible to have a more profitable time together. I was pleased when I called to find that he had invited a Catholic neighbor to be present at this interview. Recently I met a Roman Catholic who had been reading the New Testament and our tracts for a few months, and he was so pleased with this kind of literature that he requested me to mail some of our tracts to six of his neighbors, saying: "It will do them good; it will make them think; it may not convert them at once, but it will start them on the path of investigation. Brother Smith, laboring in Salem and Lynn, reports collections of \$28.00, distribution of 33 Testaments and 5,040 pages of tracts;

1 baptism and 2 recent converts from Romanism who are candidates for baptism. One of these, meeting his priest the other day, was asked what he heard at Smith's meetings, answered that he heard the Bible just as it was given by Christ and the Apostles, and more of it in the few times of going there than in all the years he had been going to mass. "Are you any better for all that?" said the priest. "Well, it has helped me to give up swearing, drinking and lying, and my other bad habits, which I have confessed to you." There was no answering that argument, and the priest, without saying a word, moved on. Brother Benoit's field includes Webster and the bounds of the Worcester Association. One large and excellent family have come to the knowledge of the truth in Webster. He says: "I have had but one baptism this year, but hope to have several this spring in Oxford, where I have four Catholic families that I visit, read to and pray with. The work is interesting in every one of my fields."

The work in Gardner, under our Brother Perron, has been very prosperous. He writes: "I have had 5 baptisms, have distributed 37 Bibles and Testaments; have collected in Gardner \$46.50 for rent and benevolent work. Last November services were begun in Westminster. The first Sabbath there was but one French Roman Catholic present. She was greatly impressed, and at that first meeting, arose and asked for prayers, saying that she desired to be enlightened. The following Sabbath there were fifteen French Catholics present. It was touching to see how hungry these people were after the true bread. Plans have been made to hold services there once every other Sabbath, but these people urged us so, and seemed so anxious to learn of God's love that services have been held every Sabbath since November. Some very precious and blessed moments have been passed there, and I expect to have the pleasure of baptizing on Easter Sunday eight who have truly found peace in their Saviour."

Brother Brouillette, of Marlboro, speaks also of progress. "During the year many cases of interest have come to our notice. Let me mention one or two:

"A few months ago a Catholic came into our service and asked for a New Testament. His interest in reading it aroused a boarder's curiosity, and he wanted to read it himself, but didn't dare to without asking the priest about it. One day of his own free will he took the New Testament, went to the priest and asked him if it was a good book. The priest looked at it and said: 'Yes, good enough, but you are too ignorant to understand it, and opened the door for his astonished parishioner to walk out. Last week that man was before the Membership Committee, with two others, with good experiences, as candidates for baptism.'

"A few weeks since I met a lady who, although brought up in a convent, under the strictest rules of the Church of Rome, was seriously doubting many of its doctrines. She had never opened a New Testament. She

began to peruse the truth with intense earnestness. Being well educated and intelligent it didn't take her long to see that she had been misled. Last Sunday she told me that she had broken away from the Catholic Church. It is only a question of a few weeks before she joins our church. Cases similar to those above cheer our hearts. During the year our French brethren have paid about \$150 toward the current expenses of the church. We have also distributed 8 Bibles and New Testaments; 8,390 pages of tracts, and baptized 7 converts."

As a helper in these several fields I am happy to bear witness to toil and effort and hard-won victories as above over sin and error and one of the worst kinds of human slavery, Roman Catholicism, and thoroughly believe that if spared a few years longer, I may have the privilege of recording a great and general movement of that people towards the truth and victories that shall fill our hearts with joy and wonder.

GERMAN WORK.

REV. G. A. SCHULTE, WEST HOBOKEN, N. J., SUPERINTENDENT.

In writing the first annual report in the new century it may be proper to take a hasty backward glance.

The introduction of Baptist principles to the German-speaking people ought to be mentioned as one of the important events of the last century. It was in 1834 when the first seven Germans were baptized by Professor B. Sears. Out of that little mustard seed, planted at that midnight hour on the banks of the River Elbe, a mighty tree has grown, whose branches have spread beyond the boundaries of Germany, and which has dropped its precious seed in other countries, where it germinated and brought forth fruit in abundance.

The first generation of pioneers have gone to their reward, yet the original seven have increased to more than 70,000 German-speaking Baptists at the present time. Out of that little church, organized the day after the midnight baptisms, 475 churches have sprung. These churches have erected 492 chapels, and have a total of 1,419 preaching stations.

German-speaking Baptists have carried the Gospel into Austria, Bohemia, Bulgaria, and Russia. Large numbers of Baptists are in these countries who do not speak the German language. German Baptists have gone to Denmark, and to Holland, and there proclaimed the glorious Gospel. Even that wonderful work in Sweden has in its beginning not been without the influence of Germany. Rev. Fr. O. Nelson, the first Baptist minister in Sweden, was baptized by Mr. Onken. Mainly through the influence of Mr. Onken Rev. Andrew Wiberg came to the conclusion that infant baptisms were not Scriptural, and was baptized by Mr. Nelson. There are at present over 40,000 Baptists in Sweden.

THE WORK IN THIS COUNTRY.

Among the Germans in our own dear country the work of spreading apostolic Christianity had also a humble beginning, but was, likewise, prosecuted with marvelous success.

It is just half a century ago when the handful of German Baptists organized a Conference. There were five ordained ministers present, and eight small churches, with a total membership of 508 represented. The work went on step by step, notwithstanding the difficulties. In 1858 the number of churches had increased to 32, and the membership to 2,335. Every inch of ground had to be fought for, but the Lord has crowned the efforts with success.

PRESENT STATUS.

At the beginning of the twentieth century there are 249 churches, with a membership of 22,889. These churches raised last year for current expenses, \$148,557.37, or \$6.50 per member; for missionary and educational objects, \$105,490, or \$4.60 per member for all purposes, including contributions from Young People's Society, etc., \$282,388.34, or \$12.25 per member. Twelve new churches were organized and thirteen meeting houses erected during the year, and one church has become English-speaking.

The last annual report intimated that the year just closed had not distinguished itself by a large increase to the German churches. But with the beginning of the twentieth century the Lord has graciously visited his people. Encouraging reports are daily received. We anticipate that this present year will show as large an increase by baptisms, and as large a net gain as ever before in the history of our German work in this country.

THE MISSIONARIES.

Eighty-four missionaries have been under appointment the whole or part of the year. Six of these were students who spent only the summer months in evangelistic work. Six District Missionaries were appointed for the following States: Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, and North Dakota. In two of the States the young people raise half the salary, while in the other States the German Association is responsible for a part of the salary.

The missionaries rendered 3,292 weeks of service, preached 8,982 sermons, attended 4,253 prayer meetings, made 28,363 religious visits, baptized 401 persons, received by letter and experience, 265. The total membership in the mission churches is 4,702. The churches raised toward the salary of the missionaries \$16,797.25. The whole amount expended by the Society on the German work is \$16,342.69. Of this sum the German churches have paid \$8,592.69.

THE FIELD.

The mission fields are spread over a vast territory, over twenty-one States of the Union, and over four provinces of Canada. To give a report in detail concerning each mission field, though it might be very interesting reading matter would take much more space than the officer at the rooms could permit. In order, however, to give the reader an opportunity to become interested in this branch of the Society's work, and to be able to form an intelligent opinion in regard to its importance, it will be necessary to at least glance at the whole field, and this may be done by dividing it into several sections.

EASTERN STATES.

Eighteen missionaries were laboring in the following Eastern States: Connecticut, 2; New York, 4; New Jersey, 6; Pennsylvania, 3, and Ontario, 3. There are 65 German churches in this District, with a membership of 8,210. It must be admitted that this District is as truly missionary ground for the German Baptists as any newly settled region in the distant West. Here are the large centers of German population and German influence:

GREATER NEW YORK

Is probably the largest German city in the world, with the single exception of Berlin. We have at present ten German Baptist churches in greater New York, with a membership of 1,625. Hundreds of German Baptists have gone from New York to the West to proclaim in the new home the newly found Saviour. More than the present number have transferred their membership into English-speaking churches, in which many of them have become a power.

Only one missionary is under appointment in New York. Ten ought to be employed and provided with means to prosecute the work successfully among the teeming German population of that great German center. It will take considerable money, but it will pay in the course of time. Other denominations are trying to gain the Germans. Are Baptists neglecting their duty and opportunity?

OTHER GERMAN CENTERS.

There are four other German centers in this District, where Baptist mission work among the Germans has been crowned with great success. Newark, N. J., has two self-sustaining churches, with 420 members. One mission, connected with the First Church, is assisted by the Society. Brother Huber, the missionary, reports large audiences and a Sunday School with

over 300 scholars. In Philadelphia the first German church in this country was organized. It has now four churches, with 750 members; three of these are self-supporting, and the fourth is trying to get along without any aid from the Society. Pittsburg has one flourishing self-sustaining church, and one mission church in Knoxville, and one in Allegheny. Both are branches of the First Church, and both are assisted by the Society. Buffalo also contains a very large percentage of German-speaking people. Here we have four self-supporting churches and one mission church; the total membership is about 800. A nice little chapel was erected during the year by the mission church. The Buffalo Baptist Union and also the Church Edifice Department assisted in paying for the building. The field in Buffalo is large enough to allow further expansion.

CENTRAL STATES.

Another group of mission interests has its center in Chicago. Here the indefatigable Bro. J. Meier is the leader. As Missionary Secretary of the Central Conference he is acquainted with every mission field, and is able to present the needs in such a manner that others see them likewise. There are 41 churches in this group, with 4,535 members. Fourteen missionaries are appointed to labor in this district.

Here we find also quite a number of large cities with numerous German populations, among which Baptist mission work has not been in vain. Cleveland has three churches and one mission, assisted by the Baptists of Cleveland, and the Home Mission Society. Detroit has also three German Baptist churches. One of these is assisted with a small amount by the Home Mission Society in coöperation with the City Mission. Cincinnati has one good self-supporting church, also Dayton, Ohio.

CHICAGO.

The main interest centers around Chicago. There are probably more than 350,000 Germans in the city. When Brother Meier began the work on this field, there was only one small Baptist church, with about 200 members, scattered over the whole city, with a small frame building as a meeting-house. The mission work, however, was not confined to the one meeting place, but prosecuted in every part of the city where members of the church resided. The result is that in the course of time six churches were dismissed by the mother church, and the church has still three missions under its fostering care, one of these will no doubt in a very short time be organized into a church. Over \$100,000 were expended for the erection of meeting houses. In one case the mother church mortgaged its own church property in order to build a house of worship for one of its missions. A

beautiful Home for the Aged stands as a monument of the zeal and liberality of the German Baptists of Chicago.

There are at present three missionaries under appointment by the Society in coöperation with the City Mission. Brother J. Pfeiffer, of the Third Church succeeded after a very hard struggle in the erection of a house of worship, well adapted for an aggressive and efficient missionary work. Brother J. Fellmann, of the Humboldt Park church, receives many additions from the mother church, and reports twenty-two baptisms for the last quarter. Brother C. A. Homan, missionary on the South Side, has formed a work-shop on the corner of Fifth avenue and Twenty-seventh street, where a plot of ground was purchased with three houses on, of which the corner house was altered into a neat commodious chapel. Two new men have been called to this important mission field, one to take charge of a mission in connection with the First Church, on Wabansia avenue, and the other to labor in an entirely new field, called Gross Park, in connection with the Second church. Brother Forkel's work as District Missionary has been greatly blessed. He reports fifty-six baptisms and the organization of a new church at Elgin, Ill.

NORTHWESTERN STATES.

The greatest progress of our work in the last decade has been made in the Northwestern States, where we have at present over sixty churches, with 6,047 members. These churches, with the exception of those in Milwaukee, St. Paul, and a few other smaller cities, are in the rural districts.

The work in South and North Dakota has especially been greatly blessed. In the former State we have fifteen churches, with 1,250 members. There are many open doors, but we were only able to appoint two missionaries during the past year. Never before in the history of German Baptist Mission work were such opportunities offered for a successful work as North Dakota offers at the present time. The ten churches organized in the last six or seven years could, in the next decade, be multiplied by four, if we had the men and means to prosecute the work as the necessities require.

Large numbers of Germans and Russians are coming constantly into the State. Most of them settle at present along the "Soo Line," north and west of Harvey. A little over two years ago a missionary was appointed for this field. He followed up the new settlers, and began preaching services in the often very miserable sod houses. One station after another was thus started. Large numbers were converted and baptized. There are now two churches on the field, with a membership of over 250, divided into ten or twelve regular preaching stations. One more missionary was, on December 1st, put on this field to assist Brother Fenske.

This whole region suffered last year by drought, so that there was an entire failure of crop. This caused great distress, as the people were newcomers, with hardly any means. I went myself over the field last fall, and found and heard of hundreds of families destitute of the very necessities of life. An appeal to the German churches brought the means to supply 162 families, containing about 780 persons, with flour sufficient to last them until spring. The good sisters of the German churches made up 27 boxes and barrels of clothing, and 51 families were supplied, at least with the most necessary wearing apparel. This money, and also that contributed for our suffering brethren in Texas, and for the starving in India, amounting to over \$5,000, came mostly from poor people, and from those of small means, who knew by experience what it is for a family with little ones to be without bread. Hence the generous response.

BEYOND OUR BORDER.

We aided during the year five missionaries beyond our border in Northwest Territories. There is at present a large immigration from the German colonies of Russia settling as far north as beyond the Saskatchewan River in Alberta. The eight small churches, with 616 members, are at important centers, from which the work can spread. One year ago last January Brother J. Hager was appointed for a new field at Josephsburg, Assinobia. He had only two or three members to begin with, but the Lord blessed his efforts. Sinners were converted and he was permitted to baptize more than fifty persons last year. A nice chapel was erected at a cost of \$1,500. With the exception of \$200, promised by the Church Edifice Department, the whole amount is being raised on the field. The missionaries in the newly settled districts have often to endure severe hardships, and the work calls for much self-sacrifice, consecration and patience.

SOUTHWESTERN STATES.

In the Southwestern States we have about forty churches, with 3,220 members. The largest number of these churches are in Kansas and Nebraska. The work in these States had, in the past, many drawbacks, caused mainly through the repeated drought a few years ago. But now the work looks more encouraging. We have in this District at present eight missionaries. Three of the churches became self-sustaining during the year. The missionaries labor, with one exception, in rural districts. There is only one missionary under appointment for the numerous Germans in Oklahoma.

A large number of Bohemians are settled in Ellsworth County, Kansas. One German church at Lorraine was very desirous to reach this people

by the Gospel, and made the offer to assist in the support of a missionary, if the German Committee, through the Home Mission Society would take up this work. Brother J. Kejr. who has done a good work in Chicago, was appointed, and began the work in July last. He has been diligently sowing the seed among his Catholic countrymen, and we hope and trust that the fruit will be harvested in due time.

PACIFIC COAST.

The German work on the Pacific Coast is still in its beginning. We have only ten churches, with 760 members. Only two of these are self-supporting, and one expects to become so in June next. The church at Portland, Ore., became self-supporting during the year. Our Brother J. Kratt did excellent service. A nice and suitable chapel was erected and paid for with the aid of the Church Edifice Department, and a parsonage is just finished. At Tacoma, Wash., a church was organized, and a suitable home was secured for the body under very favorable circumstances.

We have thus glanced over the whole field. This backward glance furnishes just cause for profound gratitude. Much has been accomplished, but much more remains to be done. The Lord has given to the German-speaking Baptists a specific mission among their own countrymen. This work is not completed. Multitudes of Germans are still without the saving knowledge of Christ. Thousands of Germans are still pouring in to make their homes among us. The Gospel in its simplicity and power must be preached to them in the language they can understand and comprehend.

THE PRESSING NEED.

We need a large number of missionaries and, consequently, much more money. The needs are overwhelming if we glance over the whole field, but the pressing need is the immediate appointment of three missionaries on the Pacific Coast, two in Oklahoma, one in Nebraska, two in South Dakota, three in North Dakota, and two in the Provinces.

But the appointment of these new missionaries will require a larger appropriation than \$7,750. With the present appointments we have gone beyond the limit. The expenditure for this year amounted to \$16,342.69, or \$842.69 more than the limit, which is \$15,500. Hence the German churches had not only to raise one-half, but also the \$842.69 beyond the limit, so that the whole amount paid by the German churches for this year is \$8,592.69. While we are grateful for the continued interest of the Society in the German work, we earnestly pray that the income of the Society may, with the beginning of the new century, so increase that the appropriations for this important branch of Home Mission work will in the future be much larger.

EASTERN CUBA.

H. R. MOSELEY, D.D., SANTIAGO, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The future of Cuba is unalterably bound up with that of the United States. We have made ourselves responsible in the eyes of the world for her political destiny, and the Christian people of America, whether they would or not, are responsible in the eyes of God for the spiritual destiny of the Cubans. No earnest servant of the Master's will deny this solemn obligation of American Christians to this needy people who have suffered not only from the tyranny and oppression of Spain, but also and equally from the blighting effects of four centuries of Romish domination and oppression.

The missionary force on this field during the past year has consisted of the General Missionary, Rev. Teofilo Barocio, pastor in Santiago; Rev. A. B. Carlisle, Guantanamo; Rev. M. Callejo, Manzanillo, and Rev. W. A. Nicholas. La Gloria, and the missionary teachers in Santiago, Miss Anna M. Barkley and Miss Effie Purdy.

The blessing of God has rested richly upon the work; during the year 45 members have been added to the churches by baptism, making the total membership 168; and there have been calls from many adjacent towns for the services of the missionaries. There is work in Santiago and vicinity for three men. We now have seven successful Sunday Schools in Santiago and suburbs. We could have twenty if we had workers to organize and run them. Four hundred children are receiving Bible instruction in our Sunday Schools every Sunday. What is being done in Santiago can be done in Puerto Principe and other cities if we had workers and equipment.

The blessing of God upon our work in Eastern Cuba calls for its re-enforcement and enlargement. Will not Northern Baptists heed this earnest plea of your servant; would God that I had power to make it stronger. We need, oh, so urgently, two strong men for the north coast, and houses of worship at Manzanillo and Puerto Principe. These needs are urgent and imperative. God grant that they may be supplied at once.

NORTHERN PORTO RICO.

REV. H. P. M'CORMICK, SAN JUAN, P. R., GENERAL MISSIONARY.
MISSIONARY TEACHER, MISS IDA HAYES.

Porto Rico is a most fruitful missionary field. Our small force began work here barely two years ago. Over two hundred new believers have been baptized and formed into churches in San Juan, Ponce, Rio Piedras, Caguas, and Adjuntas. Sowing has been followed by perennial and

abundant reaping. The appeals to open new fields are urgent and multiplying.

During the year the missionary force has consisted of the General Missionary, Miss Ida Hayes, as missionary teacher at Rio Piedras and San Juan, with two native assistants. We have not only maintained regular services in Rio Piedras and San Juan, but have carried the Gospel into a number of adjacent towns where the people seem eager to hear it, and where we hope churches will soon be organized. The whole number of members is 100; there have been 96 converts baptized in this field during the year; the church at Rio Piedras is growing in intelligence and evangelistic zeal. They have a mind to work, are giving more and more liberally for the support of their insular missions, and many of them are preaching with effectiveness. They are determined to win Porto Rico for the truth in Christ Jesus.

Could God's people at home know the blessings they have sent to Porto Rico in sending the Gospel, they would surely hasten to double and treble their beneficent efforts for a people so needy, so receptive, and so grateful.

SOUTHERN PORTO RICO.

WORKERS—REV. A. B. RUDD, PONCE, GENERAL MISSIONARY; MRS. J. P. DUGGAN, MISSIONARY TEACHER.

The field has had many tokens of Divine favor during the year. From 1 church, with 46 members, we have grown into 3 churches, with a combined membership of 124. New churches have been organized in Adjuntas, with 31 members, and in La Playa with 14.

PONCE.

Perhaps no town on the island is more open to the Gospel than Ponce. New hearers are constantly pressing in to listen to the truth. The difficulty consists in not getting the people to come, but in finding room for those who do come. Since February 1st we have been worshiping in a large warehouse which would accommodate 400, if we only had seats for that number. We have had on many occasions from 350 to 400 present, a large proportion of whom were forced to stand through the entire service. The church numbers 97 members, 54 of whom have been added during the year. There has been a healthy growth in church life on the part of these babes in Christ. A spirit of harmony and enthusiasm pervades the entire body and promises well for the future.

The Sunday School numbers over 200, though we have never had more

than 198 present at any one time. Three of the classes are taught by native members. With the prospect of a new church house in the near future the Ponce saints, with joyful hearts, are pressing forward with great hope.

In May, 1900, Adjuntas, a little church of five members was organized in Adjuntas, a mountain town some twenty miles from Ponce. The membership has since grown to thirteen. For lack of proper attention the work moves slowly, though with considerable promise for the future. We need here at once a little chapel for our congregation, lot and chapel together costing some \$1,500 or \$2,000. Who will give us this amount? Eighty-three present last Sunday in the Sunday School and an overflowing congregation in the evening.

LA PLAYA.

In June of last year a mission was opened in La Playa, the port of Ponce, which by December developed into a church of eleven members; three recent additions bringing the number up to fourteen. For lack of funds, this plucky little band is worshiping in a miserable little hall, of which the missionary is heartily ashamed. May the day soon come when he will have the funds to secure more respectable quarters.

A member of this church gave promise of great usefulness as a preacher. May the Lord give us many more like him! Congregations excellent, and Sunday School numbering from sixty to ninety.

YAUCO.

Since November, 1900, a regular mission has been established in Yauco, an important town of some 6,000 inhabitants, twenty miles west of Ponce, and the present terminus of the only railroad leading out of this city. So far there have been no baptisms. Seed-sowing must always precede the harvest. Congregations fairly good. Yauco is different in many respects from another point in which we have established work, and must be handled differently. If we only had a worker who could locate in Yauco!

Mrs. Duggan is doing most excellent work among the women and children, dividing her time between the four above-mentioned points. If we only had more like her!

Most valuable aid has been rendered by Mr. C. A. Teller, a warm-hearted Christian worker, who for a while was associated with us as Missionary Evangelist, and Mr. Enrique Inurringana, a Spaniard, whose sweet Christian spirit and clear exposition of the Word have won for him a warm place in the hearts of our people.

Southern Porto Rico presents to-day a most inviting field for missionary effort. The outlook is bright and every day brightening. Are American Baptists doing their duty by this island? I honestly believe they are not. Another man should be sent to us. Where is the other man, and where is the money to send him?

REPORT OF FIELD SECRETARY.

At the meeting of the Baptist Young People's Union of America, in Cincinnati, in July of last year, the Society was represented by Prof. J. E. Jones of Virginia, Rev. J. C. Grimmell of Ohio, and by the Field Secretary. An interesting and impressive feature of the services was the display of twenty banners containing some facts about each of the peoples or nationalities among whom the Society's work is prosecuted.

During the summer a short history of the Society was prepared for publication in "A Century of Baptist Progress." This with some amplification and notes will soon be issued in pamphlet form.

In September, a visit to Indian Territory was necessary to consummate the union of the two Territorial Conventions as provided for in the preliminary conference at South McAlester, in March of last year. The two Conventions met the same week at Durant. Representatives of the Southern Baptist Convention were also present. The heat was intense and there was a high state of temperature at times in the meetings. Eventually, however, after protracted sessions, unification was effected, an excellent Board of Managers taken fairly from both organizations was elected, and two district missionaries were appointed to supervise the work. Harmony prevails. The indications are that more systematic and aggressive work than heretofore will soon be undertaken for the full blood Indians who, in this critical period, need Christian counsel and help.

Another visit to Oklahoma in October, was necessary, for the purpose of bringing about a union of the two Conventions in that Territory as arranged for at Oklahoma City last March. The two Conventions met at Blackwell, and after experiences similar to those in Indian Territory, the union was accomplished. In the early stages of the work of these Conventions the counsels of Superintendent N. B. Rairden have been of great value.

IN THE SOUTH.

With the retirement of Dr. MacVicar as Superintendent of

Education, to take the Presidency of Virginia Union University, the Executive Board decided that it was advisable for the Field Secretary, in consultation with the Corresponding Secretary, to devote more attention to the Society's Southern work.

Some questions having arisen that seriously threatened the continuance of co-operative work for and with the Colored Baptists of Georgia, a conference on the subject was held at Atlanta, Ga., last September. After an adjustment of this matter was reached it was deemed advisable to have a conference of representatives from the three Colored Conventions of Georgia, the white Baptist State Convention, the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and this Society, to devise some plan, if possible, for the union of all colored Baptists of Georgia in one general missionary and educational organization. Pursuant to this decision, such meeting was held at Atlanta, the latter part of January, when, after protracted sessions, it was voted (only four out of twenty-nine dissenting), to advise a union on the basis there approved. It remains to be seen whether the several bodies at their approaching annual meetings will adopt the recommendations of the Conference.

In North Carolina the plan of Co-operation is bearing more abundant fruit with each succeeding year, as shown by the fact that the offerings from the Colored Baptist churches in the State are about five times as great as they were five years ago. In other respects there has also been a great advance.

The co-operative arrangement continues with success in Virginia, Kentucky and Missouri. While leading officials of Southern white Baptist organizations are generally favorable to this plan for united effort in behalf of the Colored people, some of them find among their constituencies a pronounced opposition to the appropriation of missionary funds for this purpose. On the whole, however, there appears to be a growing conviction among the white Baptists of the South, that in this period of prosperity they should do more for the Colored people; although they are unwilling to share in the maintenance of the schools established for their benefit.

In February about three weeks were spent in company with Mr. Buttrick, Chairman of the Committee on Education, and a part of the time also with H. K. Porter, Esq., Ex-President of the Society, in a visit to schools for the Colored people. The institutions visited were Hampton, Virginia Union University, Hartshorn College, Shaw University, Benedict College, Tuskegee Institute, Spelman Seminary, Atlanta Baptist College, Roger Williams University, and State University, Ky. The desirability and practicability of making industrial education a more prominent feature of our work received special consideration. This has by no means been neglected: indeed several schools have quite an industrial equipment and special instructors in some departments. The character and extent of such work and how it may be educationally related to regular courses of study are subjects that are receiving the thoughtful attention of the Board and those in charge of our schools.

“HOME MISSION BULLETIN.”

In order to meet the demand for an inexpensive home mission periodical for extensive circulation, the Society in January issued the first number of the HOME MISSION BULLETIN, a sixteen page paper, to be issued quarterly and furnished to single subscribers ten cents a year, and to clubs of five and over at five cents each. The BULLETIN has been received with much favor. Many churches have taken from fifty to one hundred copies each; and several from one hundred and fifty to five hundred. In this way it is hoped that a wider, deeper and more intelligent interest in Home Missions will be awakened. To the BULLETIN as well as to the editing of the Society's department in HOME MISSION CHOICES, of Boston, the Field Secretary devotes special attention.

CITY MISSIONS.

In Buffalo, Detroit, and Chicago, co-operative city mission work continues with general satisfaction. Decided advance has

been made in Chicago both in strengthening weak churches and in the development of new interests. Still, there as in other cities, not half enough is done to meet the demands of these swiftly growing centers of power. To the complex and costly undertakings of maintaining down town churches as well as establishing churches in expanding suburbs more thought, energy and money should be given. Millions for libraries and for educational enterprises in our great cities ought to be matched by millions for their more thorough evangelization.

VIRGINIA—NO REPORT.

NORTH CAROLINA.

J. A. WHITTED, D.D., RALEIGH, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

It gives me pleasure to report progress in the missionary work in North Carolina for the past year. Our field is large, with four men only not much could be expected. Our men have been faithful and the results have been highly satisfactory.

During the past year we have worked mainly along three lines:

To awaken greater interest with the pastors and leaders; to systematize the work of raising money for the objects of the Convention and churches, and to reach the people in their home life.

In trying to awaken an interest we have many examples to encourage us. Leaders who opposed the work twelve months ago are now in sympathy and coöperating with the missionaries.

It will take time and labor to reach them all fully. It is quite difficult to get some of them to see that money contributed for missions is not so much taken from their salary. It seems to be characteristic of most of them that there should be greater returns in some direct way than the amounts expended even in educational and missionary work. It is fair to say we have some noble exceptions to this.

We are hopeful of the results in bringing about a system of giving. For many years nothing could be realized only after some stirring speech or strong appeal, but now many feel it a duty to decide upon definite objects to which to give and give regularly, even in the absence of the missionary.

Much attention has been given by the missionaries in their lectures to try to improve the home life, and many more religious visits have been made in the homes.

To observe the improvements in better houses and in the better con-

der t of the homes, is highly gratifying. In the past few years creditable houses for the colored people have been erected in every city and town in North Carolina, and largely as the result of the lectures and visits by our missionaries. Their home life, though far from what it should be, is gradually improving, and everything looks more hopeful.

The Woman's Home Mission work, being along the same line, has greatly facilitated the work of the missionaries.

As well as houses in which to live, attention has been given to the erection of church buildings. When the low wages of the people are taken into consideration and the many sacrifices necessary, the houses of worship already completed and those in course of construction are highly commendable.

If we have any complaint it is that often they are constructed at the expense of every other object, missionary, charitable, and educational. Not knowing how to properly distribute their offerings all go toward the buildings.

We have heard, as the experience of many, of the best way to conduct a revival or construct a church building, is to get the people to give more for missions. We have often wished our people could see it in the same light.

In the past year we raised for all purposes \$6,000, which was \$1,500 more than the amount raised in the previous year. Two hundred and forty sermons, 418 addresses to churches, Sunday Schools and other religious bodies, 735 religious visits, 208 prayer meetings attended, 218 Bibles distributed. The educational and church work is taking on new life over the State, and while much yet remains to be accomplished, much has already been done.

CO-OPERATION IN GEORGIA.

REV. E. P. JOHNSON, ATLANTA, GENERAL EDUCATIONAL MISSIONARY.

The second year of coöperation closed with 1900. The work is better known and firmer fixed in the minds of the Baptists of Georgia than ever before. Its beneficial effects are being felt in all parts of the State.

Our missionaries have been most cordially received by the pastors, churches, Associations and Conventions. Besides conducting Institutes from three to ten days, they have rendered valuable assistance to the pastors in raising their salaries and in special rallies for the churches to the amount of \$615.20; in conducting revival meetings in which 249 persons were converted and added to the churches, and in raising \$335.05 for the purchase of sixty-one ministers' libraries, containing 762 books.

The forty-three Institutes conducted during the year were attended by 471 preachers, many deacons and Sunday School teachers and thousands of other persons.

Georgia is still a great missionary field. If we had ten well prepared missionaries to visit the 2,120 Baptist churches, and 73 Associations, and help the 1,642 ordained preachers, and through them reach the 221,212 members of said churches and the thousands of children and young people belonging to our membership, angels would be required to calculate the great good accomplished thereby.

The great majority of these preachers have had no training for their life-work. Many of them have no books from which to obtain information. Our schools can never reach them. Therefore, whatever help is given them must be through such work as is now being done by the coöperative bodies.

No human mind can estimate the baneful influences which will be exerted by a host of preachers, ignorant of God's Word, leading a greater host of people still more ignorant. The false idea of God, religion, moral conduct, preaching, and worship inculcated will require two or three generations to eradicate.

The great aim and object of coöperation in this State is to reach the preachers, ordained and licensed, and give them information touching Bible study, the preparation and delivery of sermons, and the proper conduct of all the departments of church work for the intellectual and spiritual development of the membership. One of the most important features of the work is the special meetings for women. In these meetings great stress is laid upon the necessity of buying homes, the relation of husband and wife, the duty of parents to children, the relation of home to the church and society, and the very great importance of having Christian homes.

The difficulty of raising the money necessary to prosecute this work grows out of the fact that there are two Conventions in our State. Each is striving to maintain its ground by doing missionary and educational work in its territory. The Negro Education Society of Georgia operates in the territory of both Conventions and must be supported by the churches of these Conventions. Therefore, as a rule, all the money necessary for the salaries and expenses of the missionaries, and one of the theological instructors, must be raised by the personal efforts of the missionaries themselves. This they find hard to do under the prevailing circumstances, and at the same time do the work required of them. Nevertheless, the following figures give great encouragement:

In 1899, there were raised \$968.28 for the prosecution of the work, and \$93.40 for the schools, making a total of \$1,061.68.

In 1900, there were raised \$1,143.88 for the work, and \$861.48 for the schools, making a total of \$1,905.36.

KENTUCKY.

REV. P. H. KENNEDY, HENDERSON, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Our work is progressing slowly, but I believe with good results. Very few new churches have been organized this year, but much attention and labor have been given to the constitution of Sunday Schools and the developing and strengthening of weak and poor churches. Several of these have, in the last year, by our attention and assistance, become almost self-supporting. When the year opened some of them were heavily in debt by mortgage, etc., faith and courage almost gone; but since, by the tact, skill and help from our missionaries, these same churches have paid these debts, remodeled or completed their houses of worship, have called pastors, have preaching one or two Sundays in the month, and have added to their membership by way of conversion.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

This branch of our work is on the rising ground and may be said to be progressive and aggressive. In our visits we seldom if ever find a church without a Sunday School; if we do, efforts are made to constitute one. It is pleasing to know that in some places where the regular preaching services are suspended during the winter, the Sunday School continues with no abatement in interest. We have observed, too, that our superintendents and teachers in these schools are earnest, consecrated men and women Baptist to the core.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS.

The pastors of our churches, as a whole, are earnest, energetic, moral, and progressive, and are ever ready to help in the great cause of missions and education. Their churches love and respect them for their zeal, consecration and ability.

This has been quite a revival season in many of the churches. Many have professed faith in Christ, which attests the fact that our pastors are men filled with the Spirit, and are laboring for the people. Our churches and pastors in some places have caught the "building fever," and have erected houses of worship that are an honor to the race and a credit to the denomination. I have sometimes thought that a little too much money is put out in this way which might be used in another line of work with much better results. Probably one-third of the money that is being put into houses of worship, could, with better results, be used in our educational work and upon the Home and Foreign fields, but our leaders and people do not see it in this light. Our pastors and churches never refuse

to give when we visit them, and we are striving to have them give regularly and systematically to our State work, so that we can give more time to weak churches and destitute places.

And as I see it, it strikes me, that with the great body of white Baptists North and South behind us, it is not long before this can be done.

INSTITUTE WORK.

This Institute work is a mighty movement. I really believe it would pay us a hundred fold just to hold these meetings, about two a month, in the different churches, for a period of three or five years. In looking at the great body of colored Baptists in this State, and seeing how little, compared with our 75,000 or 80,000, is being done for missions and education, I think it would be wise to pay less attention to the acquisition of territory and opening up new fields, but to emphasize and give more attention to the training and development of what we have already acquired. These institutions are doing much in this direction, and we cherish the hope that they will accomplish this in the end. The Institute work is coming more and more to be appreciated by the pastors and churches as the years go by. This work has created such a strong sentiment until now many churches and pastors are asking us to come and hold one with them. Then these institutes are conducted so as to edify and revive the church and bring sinners to Christ. Our white brethren are with us in this work, with head, hand and heart, to do with their might what they can for the spread of the Gospel, for which interest we are especially thankful.

TENNESSEE.

T. J. SEARCY, D.D., MEMPHIS, EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY.

I send you a synopsis of the educational work of this State. Tennessee is geographically separated into three parts. Each division did its work separately previous to the adoption of the educational coöperation plan. Even in these divisions they were divided among themselves, partly from the need of some one to go over the State and organize them, and also from a lack of knowledge concerning the work.

In the eastern portion of the State the colored people, as a mass, are very poor; they have felt that the sacrifices they made to aid missionary and educational interests should be kept within the bounds of that section. There are not so many churches in the East, and the support from said churches do not invite the best ministers to their pastorates. Since the people in the East have been aroused to operate in the coöperative plan I think it makes it imperative that more should be done in this very need.

field to cultivate the growing interest in our educational work. The majority of colored people live in the middle and western division. They have good facilities for education both in universities and public schools, and thus the people are more in sympathy with our work. The ministers sent out from our own Roger Williams University are alive to the educational work where they are laboring in any part of the State.

It is to be regretted that the laborers who ought to have the best interest of the people at heart are entirely too few; there must be greater efforts put forth to get good leaders to cope with the mass of ignorance. There is a famine in the rural districts for intelligent leaders. Ignorance is the giant that will continue to hamper and mislead the masses, even the Christian church, until the ministry is elevated to the dignity it should attain in our leaders.

The trouble in giving to educational and missionary work is not in the lack of the right spirit in the people, but it is a lack of an intelligent presentation of the cause, and the indifference to the support of the educational interests by the majority of our leaders.

Then some of the difficulties to be remedied are to get the ministers in sympathy with the work and keep some one pushing the claims of education until the people are thoroughly brought in line and trained to a *principle* of giving. I fear it will take ardent labor and many years to accomplish the desired results. I can safely say that the coöperative plan is beginning to show signs of a healthy growth, due in part to the organization of educational clubs in nearly all the churches. I believe the money raised this year will exceed that of previous years.

In the development of a religious life I find that holding ministerial Institutes and educational mass meetings have acted as a powerful stimulant to awaken new interest and zeal in the minds of the leaders and their followers.

ARKANSAS.

J. H. HOKE, D.D., LITTLE ROCK, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

I am pleased to say that this has been a very fruitful year. We have much to encourage us when we note the very rapid growth of our work along all lines. The seed that was planted years ago is now beginning to bring forth fruit. To read of these things cannot give one as much satisfaction as one derives who lives among the people and can see for himself every day. The work has now reached that stage where it demands thorough cultivation. If we keep close up with it, praying, persuading, and preaching, the victory is ours. Our blessed Saviour conquered and He has promised to be with us, therefore, we shall conquer.

CHURCH EDIFICE WORK.

In my field sixteen excellent houses have been completed this year. I have assisted in raising much of the means to pay for these buildings. By this it can be seen that the Society is helping all these churches indirectly. Our Convention and the Society send me into the field. With these great organizations backing me it enables me to do much work in church rallies, thereby helping feeble churches. These houses are put up of good material and in modern style.

Some years ago the Society gave and lent much money to churches in my field; those grants stimulate us until this day, and we continue in the work. We have decided to continue buying and building until every church in the State owns a good house. Also, it is very encouraging to see how rapidly the churches are taking hold of this work. It is now very common to see these good buildings far out in the country.

INSTITUTE WORK.

This work is not to be thought lightly of, for, indeed, it is preparing more preachers and sending more Sunday School workers for immediate duty than anything else. How to teach the Sunday School lessons, sermon building, pulpit deportment, reading hymns, history of the denomination, doctrines of the Bible, missionary work and systematic beneficence are taught in these meetings. It is a work that the people have been very slowly taking hold of, but we have continued patiently with them, and now they come from far and near, and we have great crowds. At some places they plead with us to spend as long as two weeks or a month with them. We need more of this work. There are so many of our preachers who are wholly dependent upon these meetings. Their congregations are made up of a great many people who have had some educational advantages and when they attend church they desire to see something intelligent and hear the preacher give at least an analysis of his text. If the preacher cannot do this he loses this people. These institutes are helping the ministers all over the State to meet these demands.

REVIVAL WORK.

The revival work in my field was very encouraging last year. With my own hands I baptized 144 converts. Some of these were students from high schools and colleges. Many of them are proving to be good workers as they are taking hold of the work with willing hearts and liberal hands. The revival spirit went over the State like a wave and 1,133 persons were baptized.

COLLECTIONS FOR THE WORK.

There can be much improvement along this line, but we are doing very well and each year shows a rapid increase in the contributions to our work. Monthly contributions have increased from \$25 a month until they average about \$50 a month for missions. We have some opposition in every section of the State. Ignorance, envy, and misrepresentations are the hindrances, but we are weakening their forces. We published a tract entitled, "The Lord's Money," and distributed it among the people, and it did much good. The people do not know, therefore we must get to them and talk with them. When we meet them and explain the great work of the Society, and reason with them on what the Bible says about money, they come in at once, and you may depend upon them at all times after they have been convinced.

THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

We talk much about the Society in our meetings. The tract, "Forty Years' Work among the Negroes," is read. The rank and file show their appreciation of the Society by their complimentary remarks of and prayers for the same. We all know how very insignificant we would have been had not the Society helped us. May the Lord be with you all.

MISSOURI.

H. N. BOUEY, D.D., MACON, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

This closes the Home Mission Society's fiscal year, and also its twelve years of successive and successful work in Missouri. There is great rejoicing among the white and colored Baptists in Missouri over the improvement in the entire denominational affairs among the colored Baptists.

I doubt if mission money has ever done more good anywhere, at any time, than that spent by the Home Mission Society in Missouri. The churches, though small in membership, are giving more liberally every succeeding year. The last year, closing October 15, 1900, they closed out a debt on the College at Macon, Mo., of \$3,177, and raised \$500, which is on hand now for a new building. In fact, this rapid growth has been going on for the last twelve years under the Society's helpful mission work. This mission work has secured life, progress, and aggressiveness in the Missouri Baptists as follows:

1. Secured fraternity between the nine district associations in Missouri.
2. The unity of the 270 churches into a strong and increasing Baptist State Convention.
3. The establishment and development of a ministerial

training school at Macon, Mo., worth \$16,000, and owes no man a dollar. 4. Has driven the inefficient and irresponsible minister out of the State, and welcomed and protected a far better and excellent supply. 5. Twelve years ago, ninety-five per cent. of our churches were in debt, but to-day not one-fourth have a hurtful debt. The establishment of the training-school, and doing mission work, as led and stimulated by the Home Mission Society has blessed them. They have paid their debts, and improved their property, and cared for their pastors better. 6. These same churches have done more and better district mission work; in fact, the mission spirit seems to burn in the pastor now. 7. The Sunday-school conventions of both districts and State have come into existence lately, raising money for missions and training school. 8. The Woman's State and district bodies, all may be called the outcome of the Society's helpful and stimulating mission work, in her donations and institute work. In her broad policy, she allows her missionaries to be used by the State bodies as they see best.

Now, it must not be forgotten, that we have only 175,000 Negroes in Missouri, and 87,000 of them being in St. Louis, St. Joseph and Kansas City, leaves only 87,000 scattered over the entire State, except in the extreme Northwest. This gives very small populations of colored people in our many towns, and, consequently, small churches. These have a hard time finding church and pastoral support, and, therefore, our training-school at Macon, Mo., and our State mission works have a still harder time to get support. Mission work, in destitute parts of Missouri, depending upon these small churches, would sacrifice a man.

Now, what has been done by these 270 small churches in their struggles, has been led out by the Home Mission Society's close attention and gracious aid. God bless the Society for this year's work.

III. CHURCH EDIFICE DEPARTMENT.

There has been during the year the usual demands made upon the Board for aid from the Loan and Gift Funds in the erection of new meeting houses. It has been possible to comply with the requests for loans but not for gift. There is a special pressure for aid from the Gift Fund, and there are numerous small churches which have vitality and a promising future but which are sadly handicapped for lack of a suitable place for meeting. Gifts ranging from \$250 to \$500 would in many cases provide such a stimulus, encouragement and help as would ensure success in the erection of neat, commodious chapels. We regret very much

the lack of money to render such assistance where it is so greatly needed. A church without a place of meeting, is a family without a home. As the tide of immigration still continues to flow westward and as new villages and towns are springing into existence and older ones are largely increasing in population, there is a corresponding development of church life and an ever multiplying call for meeting houses. It is no exaggeration to say that if the Society was prepared to render a little help in the erection of a chapel and to supplement this by aid in the support of a pastor for a few years, our denominational growth in the West would be vastly accelerated. Literally hundreds of new churches could be organized and feeble churches without houses or pastors would be strengthened and started on a new career of usefulness. During the past year the money at our disposal has been used according to our best judgment and we have been rejoiced at the results that have been attained. A new meeting house has been erected at Palo Alto, in the immediate vicinity of Leland Stanford University, and under the pastorate of Rev. Robert Whitaker the church is enjoying great prosperity. This is but a sample of the work that has been done during the year.

All the contemplated improvements have been made in the church property at Santiago, Cuba, and it is more than fulfilling our most sanguine expectations as to its usefulness. Similar accommodations are greatly needed in Manzanillo, and will soon be required also at Puerto Principe.

The mission premises provided at Rio Piedras in Porto Rico are already outgrown, and a new and larger building is imperatively demanded. There ought also to be secured in San Juan missionary headquarters, to cost not less than from \$12,000 to \$15,000; even \$20,000 could be spent there to good purpose. A lot has been secured at Ponce, Porto Rico, and as soon as the title can be verified and plans prepared, a suitable church building will be erected. The work both in Cuba and Porto Rico is very prosperous, hopeful and well manned, and the desideratum now in both islands is suitable places of worship. Without these the work may proceed slowly and unsatisfactorily. From the nature

of the case these church properties must be provided by the Society; the native Christians cannot be expected to aid to any considerable extent. They are being trained to systematic giving for current expenses and for missionary work in their vicinity, and it is expected that in due time the churches will become self-supporting, but to ensure this desirable result they must receive the encouragement and help which comes from suitable houses of worship.

The number of Churches aided during the year is 52; by gift only, 38; by loan only, 9; by loan and gift, 5.

The total number of grants from the Loan Fund is 14, and from the Gift Fund, 43.

The location of the Churches receiving aid is in the following 19 States, Territories and Provinces:

By gifts: Alaska, 1; California, 4; Canada, 2; Colorado, 5; Cuba, 1; Idaho, 1; Illinois, 3; Indian Territory, 4; Kansas, 3; Minnesota, 3; Nebraska, 2; New York, 1; North Dakota, 1; Oklahoma Territory, 3; Oregon, 2; Washington, 4; West Virginia, 1; Wisconsin, 1; Porto Rico, 1.

By loans: California, 4; Colorado, 1; Idaho, 1; Illinois, 1; Indian Territory, 1; Oklahoma Territory, 1; Oregon, 2; South Dakota, 2; Washington, 1.

The nationalities aided by gifts are as follows: American, 37; German, 4; Swede, 2; Mexican, 1; Cuban, 1; Indian, 1; Colored, 2.

The nationalities aided by loans are as follows: American, 11; Swede, 2; Colored, 1.

The whole number of Churches aided up to the present time is 2,049. Of these 1,712 have been aided in the past twenty years.

The following table shows the number of churches actually assisted during the past twenty years:

YEAR.	NUMBER.	BY GIFT ONLY.	BY LOAN ONLY.	BY GIFT AND LOAN.
1881-2	66	56	10	..
1882-3	97	66	18	13
1883-4	107	68	13	26
1884-5	113	61	39	13
1885-6	62	23	36	3
1886-7	62	29	29	4
1887-8	88	46	22	20
1888-9	70	33	20	17
1889-90	87	54	16	17
1890-1	88	58	14	16
1891-2	121	66	20	35
1892-3	110	72	12	26
1893-4	84	63	5	16
1894-5	89	68	12	9
1895-6	93	54	22	17
1896-7	79	57	10	12
1897-8	85	59	16	10
1898-9	80	55	12	13
1899-1900	72	56	6	10
1900-1901	52	38	9	5

LOAN FUND STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1900-1901.

Contributions	\$843 00	
Loans repaid	19,896 18	
Interest	5,781 48	
		\$26,520 66
Principal of fund	\$147,841 17	
Aggregate of loans to fourteen churches.....	6,924 75	
Average to each church	494 57	
Number of churches that have paid their loans.....	51	
Number of loans outstanding	262	

GIFT FUND STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1900-1901.

Receipts for this fund have been as follows:

Contributions	\$26,149 71	
Legacies	6,140 00	
Interest from Investments	7,701 61	
Realized from former gifts.....	1,366 00	
		\$41,357 32

* Aggregate amount of gifts to forty-three churches.. \$16,440 12
Average to each church 382 00

The total amount of grants from the Loan and Gift Funds, of \$23,364.87, has secured church property of the value of over \$75,000. This does not include the land whereon the church edifices were erected.

IV. EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

M. MacVicar, LL.D., as it was intimated in our last Report he would do, terminated his work as Superintendent of Education the first of October of last year and since then has given his undivided time and strength to the administration of the affairs of Virginia Union University. The work of completely installing the schools in the new plant has progressed steadily during the year, and it is hoped before another year passes that it will be completed. There are under consideration some modifications in the course of study and in the teaching force with a view of rendering the school more efficient. There are vast possibilities at Richmond, and if your Board had at its disposal the requisite means the school there might be made easily one of the foremost of its kind if not the leading school in all the South. The location is peculiarly favorable, and there is no reason why there might not be gathered at that point a thousand students to receive a varied training—scholastic, industrial and professional.

Through the munificence of Mr. John D. Rockefeller the improvements at Spelman Seminary have been carried forward during the year and are now approaching completion. They include extensive renovations and additions to Packard, Rockefeller and Giles Halls; the erection of a commodious building for dining hall and dormitories; another for dormitory purposes alone; a convenient residence for the president; a very well appointed hospital which adds immensely to the efficiency of the nurse training department; a central power house for heating and lighting. When these improvements are completed, Spelman Seminary, with its beautiful campus of twenty acres, charmingly situated, will be the best equipped institution of its kind in the world. The attendance during the year has been unusually large and the school has done splendid work in all of its departments.

The College for Boys, situated near Spelman Seminary, offers facilities to the students of Spelman for pursuing college studies so that while the two institutions are organically distinct they are practically united in both their spirit and their work. Their

relations are most harmonious and mutually helpful. One or more buildings are very greatly needed in connection with the college, so that its equipment may compare favorably with that of the Seminary.

The attendance of pupils in all of the schools supported in whole or in part by the Society has been during the past year exceptionally large. There has been a noticeable improvement in the grade of preparation with which students enter. Each passing year only tends to emphasize the importance, high character, and far reaching influence of these institutions. After nearly forty years of history the schools have vindicated their right to be, and made for themselves a great place in the history of the uplift of the Negro race.

It is very much to be regretted that their usefulness cannot be very largely extended by increasing their facilities. At Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C., Benedict College, Columbia, S. C., Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn., Jackson College, Jackson, Miss., Bishop College, Marshall, Texas, and at Indian University, Bacone, Ind. Ter., there is a very great need of additional buildings and facilities and in several instances there is an urgent necessity for an increase of teaching force. A comparatively small sum of money would complete the equipment of these important institutions and add vastly to their usefulness. There is no place probably where \$200,000 could be spent where it would yield quicker returns and greater harvests than if spent in enlarging the facilities and teaching force of these institutions.

The original purpose for which the schools were established—that of providing a trained leadership, especially well qualified pastors and teachers, has been kept steadily in view. While the schools have done an invaluable work in this direction they are falling far behind their opportunities. The number of students under training for leadership should be vastly increased if we are to meet in any proper measure the demand for teachers and preachers.

An increasing number of students go out from these institutions to become physicians, pharmacists, nurses, lawyers and

business men. The demand for such persons far exceeds the supply.

The Leonard Medical School of Shaw University is doing a splendid work in providing capable colored physicians for their people. As indicative of the estimation in which it is held in North Carolina it may be stated that at the recent Commencement Exercises the Governor of the State attended and presented the diplomas to the graduates.

While industrial education has not been overlooked or neglected, it has been subordinated to the intellectual, religious and moral training. It would be a comparatively easy matter, if we had the money at our disposal, to adopt and adapt methods of industrial training in all of our schools in such a manner as to increase their efficiency as instruments of intellectual training and culture and at the same time give such training and instruction in the varied industries as would be helpful to the students in many spheres of life in improving their material welfare and in many cases fitting them to become captains of industry. It has been and still is the earnest desire and hope of your Board that money may be put at its disposal which will make possible the development in all of our schools of some wise, carefully tested scheme of varied industrial training.

We are very glad to say that the negroes are showing a good degree of capacity for managing the institutions under their control and that their people show considerable liberality in providing for the education of their children and in assisting in securing suitable buildings, apparatus, etc. The time has come when a more generous aid extended to them would encourage, stimulate, and greatly help them to help themselves. All of their schools are defective in buildings, furniture, apparatus, libraries and in teaching force. Left to themselves it would be many years before they could supply these deficiencies.

The statistics which follow are for the year ending June 1, 1900.

HIGHER SCHOOLS FOR COLORED PEOPLE.

Alabama Colored Baptist University, founded at Selma, Ala., 1878; incorporated, 1878; Rev. C. S. Dinkins, D.D., President, 1893. Teachers employed, white, 3; colored, 8; present estimated value of property, \$27,000.00; no encumbrance, no floating debts; no endowment. Receipts from tuition, \$1,294.24; from Board, \$4,337.10; white churches and individuals, \$94.40; colored churches and individuals, \$2,215.38; old accounts, \$403.75; sources not included in classified accounts, \$83.50; total receipts, \$8,523.13; expenditures, for school supplies, \$173.05; boarding department, \$2,747.14; improvements and repairs, \$1,682.42; gratuities, \$324.00; salaries, \$4,822.09; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$531.02; total expenditures, \$10,279.72; appropriations by the Society, \$1,000.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$680.00; by the Alabama Baptist Women's State Convention, \$160.00; by the trustees, \$2,982.09; total appropriations, \$4,822.09; enrollment, males, 192; females, 190; total, 382; average attendance, day students, 160; boarders, 71; general average, 231; preparing for college, 1; pursuing college course, 3; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 93; preparing to teach, 97; preparing for the ministry, 52; receiving gratuity, 49; conversions, 21; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$20.87; for school supplies only, 73 cents; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$38.70; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$38.96.

*Arkansas Baptist College, founded at Little Rock, Ark., 1887; incorporated, 1885; Rev. Joseph A. Booker, D.D., President, 1889. Teachers employed, colored, 8; present estimated value of property, \$30,000.00; encumbrance, \$5,000.00; floating debts, \$1,000.00. Appropriations by the Society, \$1,150.00; by the trustees, \$1,565.00; total appropriations, \$2,715.00; enrollment, males, 128; females, 131; total, 259; average attendance, day students, 101; boarders, 36; general average, 137; preparing for college, 11; pursuing college course, 7; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 51; preparing to teach, 89; preparing for the ministry, 30; pursuing ministers' course, 30; receiving gratuity, 46; conversions, 6.

Atlanta Baptist College, founded originally at Augusta, Ga., 1867; transferred to Atlanta; incorporated, 1879; charter amended, 1897, changing the name to Atlanta Baptist College, and giving the power of granting degrees; Rev. George Sale, President, 1890. Teachers employed, white, 7; colored, 6; present estimated value of property, \$75,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debt; endowment fund, \$21,005; receipts from Slater Fund, \$891.67; from tuition, \$676.16; from Board, \$4,368.56; white churches and individuals, \$1,193.22; colored churches and individuals,

* Report incomplete.

\$86.03; old accounts, \$16.34; sources not included in classified accounts, \$2,465.12; total receipts, \$9,697.10; expenditures, for school supplies, \$482.18; boarding department, \$2,277.90; improvements and repairs, \$2,025.98; gratuities, 0307.41; salaries, \$7,360.95; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$2,664.68; total expenditures, \$15,119.10; appropriations by the Society, \$6,469.28; Slater Board, \$891.67; total appropriations, \$7,360.95; enrollment, males, 173; average attendance, day students, 44; boarders, 74; general average, 118; preparing for college, 35; pursuing college course, 16; preparing to teach, 54; preparing for the ministry, 35; pursuing ministers' course, 30; receiving gratuity, 6; conversions, 15.

Benedict College, founded at Columbia, S. C., 1870; incorporated, 1895; Rev. A. C. Osborn, D.D., President, 1895. Teachers employed, white, 9; colored, 6; present estimated value of property, \$76,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; endowment, \$120,179; receipts from tuition, \$1,411.15; from Board, \$5,219.22; white churches and individuals, \$969.61; colored churches and individuals, \$495.05; old accounts, \$163.47; sources not included in classified accounts, \$1,554.71; total receipts, \$9,813.22; expenditures, for school supplies, \$432.01; boarding department, \$4,509.36; improvements and repairs, \$252.61; students' labor, \$178.05; gratuities, \$806.10; salaries, \$6,695.72; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$3,013.22; total expenditures, \$15,887.07; appropriations by the Society, \$6,000.00; by the Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; by the trustees, \$335.72; total appropriations, \$6,695.72; enrollment, males, 135; females, 143; total, 278; average attendance, day students, 38; boarders, 132; general average, 170; preparing for college, 25; pursuing college course, 13; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 213; preparing to teach, 88; preparing for the ministry, 49; pursuing Missionary Training course, 25; average cost per pupil, for instruction only, \$39.38; for school supplies only, \$2.54; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$34.16; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$93.15.

Bishop College, founded at Marshall, Tex., 1881; incorporated, 1885; Rev. Albert Loughridge, LL.D., President, 1898. Teachers employed, white, 12; colored, 3; present estimated value of property, \$100,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; receipts from Slater Fund, \$1,000.00; from tuition, \$2,125.95; from Board, \$7,210.64; white churches and individuals, \$259.00; colored churches and individuals, \$51.90; old accounts, \$90.43; sources not included in classified accounts, \$440.55; total receipts, \$11,178.47; expenditures, for school supplies, \$1,565.33; boarding department, \$5,437.79; improvements and repairs, \$1,975.66; gratuities, \$124.90; salaries, \$9,192.41; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$75.63; total expenditures, \$18,371.72; appropriations by the Society, \$7,419.66; Slater Board, \$1,000.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; by the

trustees, \$412.75; total appropriations, \$9,192.41; enrollment, males, 184; females, 153; total, 337; average attendance, day students, 112; boarders, 102; general average, 214; preparing for college, 44; pursuing college course, 3; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 307; preparing to teach, 123; preparing for the ministry, 32; receiving gratuity, 29; conversions, 1; average cost per pupil, for instruction only, \$42.95; for school supplies only, \$7.31; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$53.31; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$85.85.

Hartshorn Memorial College (for females only), founded at Richmond, Va., 1884; incorporated, 1884; Rev. L. B. Tefft, D.D., President, 1884. Teachers employed, white, 9; colored, 2; present estimated value of property, \$50,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund; balance in hand from previous year, \$2,278.54; receipts from tuition, \$748.64; from board, \$3,760.86; white churches and individuals, \$965.40; colored churches and individuals, \$40.00; old accounts, \$201.78; sources not included in classified accounts, \$380.13; total receipts, \$8,375.52; expenditures, for school supplies, \$221.44; boarding department, \$2,541.08; improvements and repairs, \$571.70; gratuities, \$89.52; salaries, \$4,906.42; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$678.51; total expenditures, \$9,008.67; appropriations by the Society, \$1,200.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$1,600.00; by Woman's Society of Michigan, \$450.00; by the trustees, \$1,656.42; total appropriations, \$4,906.42; enrollment, females, 120; average attendance, day students, 36; boarders, 64; general average, 100; preparing for college, 3; pursuing college course, 3; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 88; preparing to teach, 72; receiving gratuity, 30; conversions, 1; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$49.06; for school supplies only, \$2.21; for boarding, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$39.70; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$85.89.

Jackson College, founded at Natchez, Miss., 1877; transferred to Jackson, Miss., 1884; Rev. L. G. Barrett, President, 1894. Teachers employed, white, 7; colored, 3; present estimated value of property, \$35,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$476; balance in hand from previous year, \$72.19; receipts from tuition, \$498.84; from board, \$2,315.91; white churches and individuals, \$177.50; old accounts, \$3.50; sources not included in classified accounts, \$137.75; total receipts, \$3,205.69; expenditures, for school supplies, \$352.32; boarding department, \$1,219.20; improvements and repairs, \$335.61; gratuities, \$237.57; salaries, \$5,285.50; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$273.81; total expenditures, \$7,704.01; appropriations, by the Society, \$4,625.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$400.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$175.00; by the trustees, \$85.50; total appropriations, \$5,285.50;

enrollment, males, 40; females, 62; total, 102; average attendance, day students, 12; boarders, 48; general average, 60; preparing for college, 1; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 57; preparing to teach, 36; preparing for the ministry, 9; pursuing ministers' course, 5; conversions, 2; average cost per pupil, for instruction only, \$88.09; for school supplies only, \$5.87; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$25.40; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$125.24.

Roger Williams University, founded at Nashville, Tenn., 1864; incorporated, 1883; Rev. P. B. Guernsey, M.A., President, 1899. Teachers employed, white, 10; colored, 3; present estimated value of property, \$130,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$4,880; balance in hand from previous year, \$46.53; from tuition, \$1,616.56; from board, \$6,933.69; colored churches and individuals, \$12.35; old accounts, \$1,025.15; sources not included in classified accounts, \$223.22; total receipts, \$9,857.50; expenditures, for school supplies, \$408.98; boarding department, \$5,389.83; improvements and repairs, \$1,097.11; students' labor, \$319.02; gratuities, \$447.88; salaries, \$8,190.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$677.35; total expenditures, \$16,530.17; appropriations by the Society, \$7,830.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; total appropriations, \$8,190.00; enrollment, males, 150; females, 118; total, 268; average attendance, day students, 54; boarders, 83; general average, 137; preparing for college, 28; pursuing college course, 24; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 100; preparing to teach, 58; preparing for the ministry, 23; pursuing ministers' course, 13; receiving gratuity, 59; conversions, 13; average cost per pupil, for instruction only, \$59.78; for school supplies only, \$2.98; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$64.93; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$115.73.

Shaw University, founded at Raleigh, N. C., 1865; incorporated, 1875; Charles F. Meserve, LL.D., President, 1893. Teachers employed, white, 19; colored, 8; present estimated value of property, \$90,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$31,938; receipts from Slater Fund, \$2,500.00; from tuition, \$4,177.11; from board, \$9,893.80; white churches and individuals, \$1,455.92; colored churches and individuals, \$397.47; old accounts, \$415.81; sources not included in classified accounts, \$154.50; total receipts, \$18,994.61; expenditures, for school supplies, \$565.25; boarding department, \$5,763.52; improvements and repairs, \$3,445.99; students' labor, \$425.95; gratuities, \$371.58; salaries, \$15,276.16; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$1,666.16; total expenditures, \$27,514.61; appropriations by the Society, \$7,840.00; Slater Board, \$2,500.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$680.00; by the

Trustees, \$4,256.16; total appropriations, \$15,276.16; enrollment, males, 201; females, 180; total, 381; average attendance, day students, 58; boarders, 214; general average, 272; preparing for college, 66; pursuing college course, 27; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 190; preparing to teach, 190; pursuing ministers' course, 22; receiving gratuity, 20; pursuing missionary training course, 11; average cost per pupil, for instruction only, \$56.16; for school supplies only, \$2.07; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$26.46; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$121.39.

Spelman Seminary (for females only), founded at Atlanta, Ga., 1881; incorporated, 1888; Miss S. B. Packard and Miss H. E. Giles, Associate Principals, 1881-1891; Miss H. E. Giles, President, 1891; Miss L. H. Upton, Dean, 1891. Teachers employed, white, 36; colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$200,000; endowment fund, \$6,031; no encumbrance; no floating debts; balance in hand from previous year, \$541.70; receipts from Slater Fund, \$5,000.00; from tuition, \$3,238.54; from board, \$12,315.11; white churches and individuals, \$1,259.27; colored churches and individuals, \$154.89; old accounts, \$963.08; sources not included in classified accounts, \$5,403.07; total receipts, \$28,876.46; expenditures, for school supplies, \$1,311.01; boarding department, \$8,964.66; improvements and repairs, \$2,988.99; gratuities, \$2,375.99; salaries, \$15,830.82; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$4,210.87; total expenditures, \$35,682.34; by friends, \$394.42; Slater Board, \$5,000.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$7,000.00; by the Trustees, \$3,436.40; total appropriations, \$15,830.82; enrollment, females, 600; average attendance, day students, 187; boarders, 221; general average, 408; preparing for college, 9; pursuing college course, 4; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 450; preparing to teach, 325; receiving gratuity, 131; pursuing missionary training course, 1; pursuing nurse training course, 47; conversions, 18; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$38.80; for school supplies only, \$3.21; for board, including all necessary labor preparing it for use, \$40.56; for all expenses incurred in conducting school except special improvements, \$84.65.

* State University, founded at Louisville, Ky., 1873; incorporated 1873; Rev. C. L. Purce, D.D., President, 1894. Teachers employed, white, 2; colored, 7; present estimated value of property, \$30,000.00; no encumbrance; floating debt, \$2,500.00; no endowment fund; appropriations by the Society, \$1,000.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; by the Trustees, \$2,334.69; total appropriations, \$3,694.69; enrollment, males, 128; females, 48; total, 176; average attendance, day students, 111; boarders,

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24; general average, 135; preparing for college, 80; pursuing college course, 18; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 25; preparing to teach, 85; preparing for the ministry, 23; pursuing ministers' course, 23; conversions, 14.

Virginia Union University (Consolidation of Wayland Seminary, founded at Washington, D. C., 1865, and Richmond Theological Seminary, founded Richmond, Va., 1867), incorporated February, 1900; M. MacVicar, LL.D., President, 1900; Rev. George R. Hovey, Dean of College Department; George F. Genung, D.D., Dean of Theological Department, 1899. Teachers employed, white, 6; colored, 8; present estimated value of property, \$230,000.00; no encumbrances; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$88,622; balance in hand from previous year, \$757.70; from tuition, \$974.62; from board, \$5,445.43; white churches and individuals, \$1,259.27; colored churches and individuals, \$154.89; old accounts, \$198.15; sources not included in classified accounts, \$3,671.07; total receipts, \$12,805.93; expenditures, for school supplies, \$84.18; boarding department, \$6,183.86; improvements and repairs, \$60.12; students' labor, \$591.85; gratuities, \$888.81; salaries, \$10,390.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$2,771.25; total expenditures, \$21,726.97; appropriations by the Society, \$9,990.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$400.00; total appropriations, \$10,390.00; enrollment, males, 160; average attendance, day students, 31; boarders, 98; general average, 129; preparing for college, 34; pursuing college course, 6; preparing to teach, 6; preparing for the ministry, 87; conversions, 5; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$80.54; for school supplies only, \$6.51; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$63.10; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school, except special improvements, \$167.97.

SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR COLORED PEOPLE.

Americus Institute, Americus, Ga.; Prof. M. W. Reddick, Principal, 1898. Teachers employed, colored, 3; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$228.48; total appropriations, \$728.48; enrollment, males, 57; females, 75; total, 132; average attendance, day students, 63; preparing to teach, 51; preparing for the ministry, 2; conversions, 11.

Bible and Normal Institute, founded at Memphis, Tenn.; incorporated 1887; Prof. Joshua Levister, Principal, 1899. Teachers employed, white, 2; colored, 6; present estimated value of property, \$; encumbrance, \$10,000.00; floating debts, \$400.00; endowment fund, ; from tuition, \$581.54; colored churches and individuals, \$254.78; old accounts, \$44.58; total receipts, \$880.90; expenditures, for school supplies, \$447.70; improvements and repairs, \$21.90; salaries, \$825.35; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$85.95; total expenditures, \$1,380.90; appro-

priations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$325.35; total appropriations, \$825.35; enrollment, males, 88; females, 121; total, 209; average attendance, day students, 91; preparing for college, 21; preparing to teach, 46; preparing for the ministry, 15; pursuing ministers' course, 10; pursuing missionary training course, 40; conversions, 3; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$9.07; for school supplies only, \$4.92; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$15.17.

*Coleman Academy, founded at Gibsland, La.; incorporated 1887; Prof. O. L. Coleman, Principal, 1890. Teachers employed, colored, 5; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by Womens' Society of Boston, \$500.00; total appropriations, \$1,000.00; enrollment, males, 109; females, 111; total, 220; average attendance, day students, 67; boarders, 28; general average, 95; preparing for college, 14; pursuing college course, 14; preparing to teach, 99; preparing for the ministry, 17; pursuing ministers' course, 17; receiving gratuity, 25; conversions, 29.

Florida Baptist Academy, founded at Jacksonville, Fla., 1892; Prof. N. W. Collier, Principal, 1896. Teachers employed, colored, 0; present estimated value of property, \$; encumbrance, \$500.00; floating debts, \$1,546.29; receipts from tuition, \$411.94; from board, \$2,425.48; white churches and individuals, \$12.00; colored churches and individuals, \$998.20; old accounts, \$84.00; sources not included in classified accounts, \$184.27; total receipts, \$4,115.89; expenditures, for school supplies, \$398.86; boarding department, \$995.55; improvements and repairs, \$43.04; students' labor, \$54.12; salaries, \$2,421.58; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$702.74; total expenditures, \$4,615.89; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by Womens' Society of Chicago, \$120.00; by the trustees, \$1,801.58; total appropriations, \$2,421.58; enrollment, males, 76; females, 114; total, 190; average attendance, day students, 74; boarders, 51; general average, 125; preparing for college, 7; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 67; preparing to teach, 19; preparing for the ministry, 3; conversions, 24; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$19.37; for school supplies only \$3.19; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$19.52; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$36.75.

Florida Institute, founded at Live Oak, Fla., 1876; incorporated 1876; Rev. G. P. McKinney, Principal, 1892. Teachers employed, colored, 9; present estimated value of property, \$11,170.00; no encumbrance; floating debts, \$800.00; from tuition, \$633.71; from board, \$2,425.48; white churches and individuals, \$12.00; colored churches and individuals, \$998.20; old accounts, \$186.15; sources not included in classified accounts, \$87.92; total receipts, \$4,701.00; expenditures, for school supplies, \$54.43; boarding de-

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partment, \$1,300.31; improvements and repairs, \$692.77; students' labor, \$578.21; gratuities, \$86.00; salaries, \$2,126.91; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$362.37; total expenditures, \$5,201.00; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$1,626.91; total appropriations, \$2,126.91; enrollment, males, 88; females, 108; total, 196; average attendance, day students, 95; boarders, 45; general average, 140; pursuing college course, 18; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 41; preparing to teach, 32; preparing for the ministry, 7; pursuing ministers' course, 6; receiving gratuity, 21; conversions, 8; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$15.19; for school supplies only .39; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$28.89; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$33.41.

*Hearne Academy, founded at Hearne, Texas; Prof. J. H. Anderson, Principal, 1896. Teachers employed, colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$8,000.00; encumbrance, \$3,000.00; no floating debts; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$637.00; total appropriations, \$1,137.00; enrollment, males, 41; females, 59; total, 100; average attendance, day students, 16; boarders, 42; general average, 58; preparing for college, 7; pursuing college course, 8; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 24; preparing to teach, 27; preparing for the ministry, 2; pursuing ministers' course, 4; conversions, 10.

*Houston Academy, founded at Houston, Texas, 1893; incorporated 1893; Prof. W. F. Bledsoe, Principal, 1899. Teachers employed, colored, 2; present estimated value of property, \$5,000.00; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$316.80; total appropriations, \$816.80; enrollment, males, 23; females, 41; total, 64; average attendance, day students, 18; boarders, 16; general average, 34; preparing for college, 4; pursuing college course, 19; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 3; preparing to teach, 58; preparing for the ministry, 2; pursuing ministers' course, 1; receiving gratuity, 64; pursuing missionary training course, 1; pursuing nurse training course, 1.

Jeruel Academy, founded at Athens, Ga.; Rev. J. H. Brown, Principal, 1893. Teachers employed, colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$7,760.00; floating debts, \$500.00; from tuition, \$518.38; from board, \$1,109.57; white churches and individuals, \$34.29; colored churches and individuals, \$436.93; old accounts, \$74.82; sources not included in classified accounts, \$23.50; total receipts, \$2,197.49; expenditures, for school supplies, \$29.05; boarding department, \$645.43; improvements and repairs, \$385.15; salaries, \$1,494.80; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$143.06; total expenditures, \$2,697.49; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$994.80; total appropriations, \$1,494.80; enrollment, males, 93;

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females, 121; total, 214; average attendance, day students, 69; boarders, 45; general average, 114; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 39; preparing to teach, 82; preparing for the ministry, 10; pursuing ministers' course, 6; receiving gratuity, 6; conversions, 6; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$13.11; for school supplies only, .25; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$14.34; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$20.30.

Mather School, founded at Beaufort, S. C., 1869; Mrs. R. C. Mather, Principal, 1869. Teachers employed, white, 4; colored, 1; appropriation by Woman's Society of Boston, \$1,100.00; enrollment, males, 41; females, 85; total, 126; average attendance, day students, 30; boarders, 30; general average, 60; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 31; preparing to teach, 8; preparing for the ministry, 1; conversions, 12.

Spiller Academy, located at Hampton, Va.; was founded by Rev. R. Spiller, and in 1897 became affiliated with the Virginia Union University; Rev. George E. Read, Principal, 1898. Teachers employed, colored, 6; present estimated value of property, \$; encumbrance, \$700.00; floating debts, \$500.00; receipts from tuition, \$428.00; from board, \$848.49; white churches and individuals, \$200.00; colored churches and individuals, \$615.55; old accounts, \$154.00; sources not included in classified accounts, \$25.75; total receipts, \$2,271.79; expenditures, for school supplies, \$381.96; boarding department, \$873.64; improvements and repairs, \$372.70; students' labor, \$356.00; gratuities, \$16.00; salaries, \$1,220.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$74.65; total expenditures, \$3,294.95; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$120.00; by the trustees, \$600.00; total appropriations, \$1,220.00; enrollment, males, 43; females, 61; total, 104; average attendance, day students, 44; boarders, 34; general average, 78; preparing for college, 30; preparing to teach, 6; preparing for the ministry, 8; pursuing ministers' course, 8; receiving gratuity, 2; pursuing missionary training course, 6; conversions, 14; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$15.64; for school supplies only, \$4.89; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$25.69; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$42.24.

Walker Institute, founded at Augusta, Ga.; incorporated 1885; Prof. N. W. Curtright, Principal, 1899. Teachers employed, colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$5,000.00; encumbrance, \$1,260.00; from tuition, 431.20; white churches and individuals, \$15.00; colored churches and individuals, \$853.26; old accounts, \$16.24; sources not included in classified accounts, \$138.41; total receipts, \$1,454.11; expenditures, for school supplies, \$99.04; improvements and repairs, \$221.01; gratuities, \$79.85; salaries, \$1,400.51; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$152.70;

total expenditures, \$1,954.11; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$900.51; total appropriations, \$1,400.51; enrollment, males, 30; females, 86; total, 116; average attendance, day students, 73; preparing for college, 9; preparing to teach, 74; preparing for the ministry, 9; conversions, 4; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$19.18; for school supplies only, \$1.35; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$23.77.

Waters' Normal Institute, founded at Winton, N. C.; incorporated 1887; Rev. C. S. Brown, Principal, 1890. Teachers employed, colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$12,000.00; encumbrance, \$1,460.00; balance in hand from previous year, \$1.29; receipts from tuition, \$300.00; from board, \$1,032.01; white churches and individuals, \$70.00; colored churches and individuals, \$499.16; old accounts, \$125.09; total receipts, \$2,027.55; expenditures, for school supplies, \$43.70; boarding department, \$823.42; improvements and repairs, \$180.97; gratuities, \$5.00; salaries, \$1,420.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$625.06; total expenditures, \$3,098.15; appropriations by the Society, \$700.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$400.00; by the trustees, \$320.00; total appropriations, \$1,420.00; enrollment, males, 123; females, 149; total, 272; average attendance, day students, 96; boarders, 44; general average, 140; preparing to teach, 47; preparing for the ministry, 5; pursuing ministers' course, 5; conversions, 15; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$10.14; for school supplies only, .31; for board including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$18.71; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$21.30.

Western College, founded at Macon, Mo., 1891; incorporated 1894; Rev. E. L. Scruggs, Principal, 1892. Teachers employed, colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$15,000.00; encumbrance, \$2,000.00; floating debts, \$1,000.00; from tuition, \$364.95; from board, \$1,070.20; white churches and individuals, \$342.75; colored churches and individuals, \$986.80; old accounts, \$61.35; sources not included in classified accounts, \$7.00; total receipts, \$2,833.05; expenditures, for school supplies, \$62.85; boarding department, \$997.83; improvements and repairs, \$133.87; salaries, \$1,921.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$477.59; total expenditures, \$3,593.14; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$1,421.00; total appropriations, \$1,921.00; enrollment, males, 54; females, 64; total, 118; average attendance, day students, 57; boarders, 42; general average, 99; preparing for college, 2; preparing to teach, 28; preparing for the ministry, 10; pursuing ministers' course, 5; receiving gratuity, 10; conversions, 4; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$19.40; for school supplies only, .63; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$23.71; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$36.27.

HIGHER AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR INDIANS.

Indian University, founded at Tahlequah, 1879; incorporated 1881; transferred to Muscogee, 1885; Rev. J. H. Scott, President, 1897. (Bacone, P. O., Ind. Ter.) Teachers employed, 9; present estimated value of property, \$30,000.00; no encumbrance; floating debts, \$2,232.68; endowment fund, \$2,126; balance in hand from previous year, \$4.60; from tuition, \$444.18; from board, \$2,838.55; churches and individuals, \$1,991.05; old accounts, \$334.00; sources not included in classified accounts, \$6.60; total receipts, \$5,618.98; expenditures, for school supplies, \$333.03; boarding department, \$3,584.00; improvements and repairs, \$1,284.57; salaries, 4,875.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$268.52; total expenditures, \$10,345.12; appropriations by the Society, \$4,070.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$400.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$405.00; total appropriations, \$4,875.00; enrollment, males, 55; females, 46; total, 101; average attendance, day students, 10; boarders, 42; general average, 52; preparing for college, 11; preparing to teach, 7; preparing for the ministry, 2; conversions, 13; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$93.75; for school supplies only, \$6.21; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$85.33; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$185.06;

Atoka Academy, founded at Atoka, I. T., 1888; not incorporated; Prof. E. H. Rishel, Principal, 1891. Teachers employed, 10; present estimated value of property, \$8,755.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; balance in hand from previous year, \$1,881.36; from tuition, \$1,800.42; from board, \$5,136.97; churches and individuals, \$10.00; old accounts, \$28.30; sources not included in classified accounts, \$92.40; total receipts, \$8,949.45; expenditures, for school supplies, \$149.71; boarding department, \$5,010.31; improvements and repairs, \$1,681.49; salaries, \$3,642.87; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$381.94; total expenditures, \$10,866.32; appropriations by the Society, \$1,025.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$800.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$225.00; by the trustees, \$1,592.87; total appropriations, \$3,642.87; enrollment, males, 108; females, 108; total, 216; average attendance, day students, 71; boarders, 54; general average, 125; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 56; preparing for the ministry, 2; conversions, 39; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$29.14; for school supplies only, \$1.20; for board including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$92.78; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$75.56.

Cherokee Academy, founded at Tahlequah, I. T., 1886; not incorporated; Prof. J. C. Park, Principal, 1897. Teachers employed, 4; present estimated value of property, \$5,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts;

from tuition, \$435.10; from board, \$457.32; churches and individuals, \$2.43; old accounts, \$24.40; sources not included in classified accounts, \$367.95; total receipts, \$1,287.20; expenditures, for school supplies, \$142.60; boarding department, \$575.80; improvements and repairs, \$277.98; salaries, \$1,555.47; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$183.78; total expenditures, \$2,735.58; appropriations by the Society, \$1,450.00; by the trustees, \$105.47; total appropriations, \$1,555.47; enrollment, males, 71; females, 65; total, 136; average attendance, day students, 62; boarders, 6; general average, 68; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 16; preparing to teach, 3; conversions, 3; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$22.87; for school supplies only, \$2.09; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$95.97; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$39.46.

CHINESE MISSION SCHOOLS.

Appropriations by the Society in California: San Francisco, \$900, Oakland, \$616.66. In Washington: Spokane, \$300. By the Woman's Society of Boston in California: Fresno, \$500.00; Sacramento, \$400.00, Butte City, Mont., \$300.00.

SCHOOLS IN UTAH

Appropriations by the Woman's Society of Boston: Provo, \$702.00.

SCHOOLS IN MEXICO.

Appropriations by the Woman's Society of Boston: International, Monterey, \$409.31; Montemorelos, \$165.00.

SCHOOL IN NEW MEXICO.

Appropriations by the Society; Velarde, \$730.00; by the Woman's Society of Boston, \$600.00.

SCHOOL IN OKLAHOMA TERRITORY.

Appropriation by the Woman's Society of Boston: Wichita Mission, Anadarko, \$600.00.

SCHOOLS IN PORTO RICO.

Appropriations by the Woman's Society of Boston: Ponce, \$600.00; by the Women's Society of Chicago: San Juan, \$720.00.

SCHOOL IN CUBA.

Appropriation by the Women's Society of Chicago: Santiago, \$600.00.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1899-1900

1. The enrollment of students for the colored people was, males, 2,403; females, 2,985; total, 5,388; the average number of boarders was, 1,544; day pupils, 1,781; general average, 3,325. Of the number enrolled, 431 were studying for the ministry, 1,808 preparing to teach, 84 in the missionary training course, 48 in the nurse training course, and 1,796 received systematic instruction in some line of industrial work. The enrollment in schools for Indians was 234 males, 219 females; total 453. Of this number 4 were studying for the ministry and 10 preparing to teach. The total enrollment in all the schools, both colored and Indian, was 5,841 and the total number of conversions during the year was 291.

2. There were employed in all of the 25 colored schools receiving help from the American Baptist Home Mission Society, 259 teachers; 129 white, 130 colored; 99 of whom were males and 160 female. Of the male teachers 35 were white and 64 colored; of the female teachers 94 were white and 66 colored.

3. The expenditure for the salary of teachers for the school year 1899-1900 was as follows: The American Baptist Home Mission Society contributed for negro schools, \$60,723.94; Indian schools, \$6,455; Chinese and Mexican schools, \$2,546.66; the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society of New England, Negro schools, \$11,000.00; Indian schools, \$1,800.00; Chinese, Mormon, Mexican and Porto Rican schools, \$3,676.31; the Women's Baptist Home Mission Society of Chicago, Negro schools, \$3,615.00; Indian schools, \$625.00; Cuban and Porto Rican schools, \$1,320.00; the Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society of Michigan, Negro schools, \$450.00; the Alabama Baptist Women's State Convention, Negro schools, \$160.00; Trustees and special friends of the 9 Negro schools managed by the American Baptist Home Mission Society (including Hartshorn Memorial College), \$10,577.37; the John F. Slater Fund, \$9,391.67; the 16 schools controlled by Negro Trustees, \$15,054.21; and Trustees of Indian schools \$1,698.24, making a total expenditure for teachers' salaries of \$129,183.40. Of this amount \$110,972.19 were paid to teachers in colored schools, \$10,668.24 to teachers in Indian schools, and \$7,542.97 to teachers in schools for Chinese, Cubans, Mormons, Mexicans and Porto Ricans.

4. The receipts from the colored people themselves for 1899-1900 were as follows: From tuition fees, \$20,251.53; from charge for board, \$70,141.38; from old accounts, \$4,227.69; from sources not designated in reports from schools, \$18,774.15; from churches and individuals, \$10,228.76, making a total of \$123,623.51. Of this amount \$15,054.21 has been paid as stated above in paragraph 3, on teachers' salaries, and the balance, \$108,569.30, has been expended for other current expenses, including board,

school supplies, etc., by the President or Principal of each of the 26 schools, under the direction of the authorities of the institutions.

5. The American Baptist Home Mission Society contributed for the support of the colored schools in 1899-1900, in addition to the \$60,723.93 paid on the salaries of teachers given above in paragraph 3, the sum of \$45,403.62, which was expended for buildings and other purposes, making the total contributions by the Society \$106,127.56; this amount and the \$50,148.25 contributed by other outside sources named in paragraph 3, added to the \$123,623.51 contributed by the colored people, as given in paragraph 4, make a grand total of \$279,899.32, or over a quarter of a million dollars, expended in the education of the colored people in the schools helped by the Society during the school year 1899-1900.

6. There are now 25 schools for colored people helped by the American Baptist Home Mission Society, 16 of which are under the entire control and management of Negro Boards of Trustees. Of the other 9 schools, Jackson College has at present no Board of Trustees, and hence is managed from the office in New York. Each of the other 8 schools has a Board of Trustees composed of white and colored members, which is charged with the direct management of the institution, subject to approval by the Executive Board of the Society. There are in all of these boards 59 white and 23 colored members. The Society in 1899-1900 contributed to these 9 schools for teachers' salaries, \$51,374.94, and for building and other purposes, \$44,131.81, making a total of \$95,505.75. The colored people, in addition to paying the charge made in these 9 institutions for instruction, board, etc., have contributed for their support as follows: Churches and individuals, \$1,436.29; surplus from the schools, \$1,494.28; making a total of \$2,930.57, or an average per school of \$325.62.

7. The 16 schools under the entire control and management of Negro Boards of Trustees consist of 3 holding college charters and 13 secondary or academic schools. The aggregate salary of all the teachers in these 16 schools in 1899-1900 was \$27,744.21, of which the American Baptist Home Mission Society paid \$9,350.00. The expenditure for board, school supplies and all other current expenses was \$17,646.31, making a total expenditure for 1899-1900 of \$45,390.52. This amount provides but very meagerly for the support of the schools. Each of these schools is subject to visitation, and is required to make the same financial and other reports to the office in New York as the schools under the more immediate control of the Home Mission Society.

CONCLUSION.

In reviewing the work of the year your Board are profoundly thankful to the friends of Home Missions for the generous sup-

port accorded, and desire, also, to put on record their most grateful and humble recognition of the special Divine favor that has rested upon their endeavors. When we recall the large body of earnest, devoted, godly men and women who have been engaged in missionary or educational work, the nearly 5,000 converts that have been gathered into mission churches, the 5,000 pupils that have been under Christian instruction in its schools, the number of meeting houses that have been erected, the general spirit of hopefulness and courage manifest through its entire service, we are led to exclaim "What hath God wrought!"

But there is another side to the question which ought to be expressed. When we consider the rapid growth of our population, the new towns and villages that are springing into existence, the vast regions of country in the West in which foundations are being laid for future millions, the rapidly increasing number of negroes, the multiplication of negro Baptist churches and communicants who look to us as their natural friends and helpers to provide for them a competent leadership; and when we remember how rapidly the conditions of society are changing and crystallizing, and especially when we recall the tremendous forces of evil that are at work in all their varied forms seeking to corrupt and destroy individuals, families, communities, churches, and the nation itself, we are saddened with the reflection of how little we are doing, and are able to do, with the means at our disposal, for the cause of Christ. With a very slight increase in the cost of administration, if we had the money at our disposal, we could enlarge our work and increase its effectiveness at almost every point. How gladly would we enter upon this enlarged service!

The present unusual and almost unparalleled prosperity would seem to warrant us in expecting a large increase in offerings for missions. It is the Lord who "giveth the power to get wealth," and it is asking very little that those to whom He has entrusted it should consecrate a liberal portion of it to Him and to His cause. Is a time like this there ought to be, and we trust there will be, a large addition not only to our ordinary receipts for

current expenses but also to our permanent trust funds; more especially to the endowment funds which are so essential to the future stability and usefulness of our schools.

T. J. MORGAN,
Cor. Sec.

W. C. P. RHOADES,
Chairman of Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31ST, 1901.

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS.		
General Fund—		
General Purposes.....	\$458,040 55	
Special Purposes.....	135,980 80	\$594,021 35
Church Edifice Gift Fund.....		41,357 32
“ “ Loan Fund.....		6,624 48
Permanent Trust Fund.....		5,102 63
Annuity Fund.....		35,896 77
Conditional Fund.....		1,908 16
Total receipts.....		\$684,910 71
Cash in the Treasury, April 1, 1900.....		21,922 96
		\$706,833 67
DISBURSEMENTS.		
General Fund—		
General Purposes.....	415,316 00	
Special Purposes.....	147,297 77	562,613 77
Debt of the Society, April 1, 1900.....		32,200 90
Church Edifice Gift Fund.....		19,616 83
“ “ Loan Fund.....		13,761 01
Total Disbursements.....		\$628,192 51
Added to the various Funds during the year.....		35,771 03
Cash in Treasury, April 1, 1901, General Fund.....	203 41	
Church Edifice Gift Fund.....	11,343 56	
Designated.....	31,323 16	42,870 13
		\$706,833 67

An analysis of the above will be found on pages 126 to 143.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

RECEIVED.

For General Purpose:—

<u>General Purpose—</u>		
1	* Contributions .. .	\$2,723.77
2	Surplus from Schools:	
	Bishop College .. .	\$2,284.16
	Lackson College .. .	1,200.00
	Roger Williams University .. .	1,512.83
		<u>4,997.99</u>
3.	<u>Legal fees</u>	145,119.01
4.	* Annuity Payments Released by Death of Donors..	14,162.00
5.	* Conditional Funds, Released by Death of Donors	875.00
6.	Incentive or Permanent Trust Fund	20,021.11
7.	" " Isaac Davis Fund	504.00
8.	" " Assurity Fund .. .	17,784.01
9.	" " Conditional Fund .. .	290.29
10.	" " Real Estate .. .	548.21
11.	" " Interest and Dividends .. .	661.751
12.	" " Home Mission Monthly..	2,674.90
13.	" " Bulletin .. .	410.73
14.	" " Jubilee Volume .. .	4.00
15.	Sale of Real Estate .. .	170.00
16.	Miscellaneous .. .	47.67
		<u>458,000.00</u>

For Special Purposes

1	Contributions, designated for Scholarships	120,329.08	
2	For Other Purposes	3,111.72	
3	Annually Funds Released by Death of Assistant, designated for Virginia Union University	7,500.00	
4	Sale of Real Estate, Designated	1,050.00	35.00 Sh

Total Receipts

Cash in Treasury, April 1, 1900. Designated.

91, 104, 116

DISBURSEMENTS,
FOR MISSION WORK

AMONG THE FOLLOWING NATIONALITIES

AMONG THE FOLLOWING NATIONALITIES		
Amerlans	.....	\$112,815 97
Bohemian	.....	413 34
Chinese	.....	5,106 73
Cubans	.....	7,185 89
Danes	.....	4,602 93
Finn	.....	158 03
French	.....	6,775 47
German	.....	16,746 85
Hollanders	.....	300 00
Indians	.....	4,635 06
Italians	.....	3,399 07
Japanese	.....	666 16
Jews	.....	1,221 52
Mexicans	.....	10,321 66
Negroes	.....	5,748 25
Norwegians	.....	4,344 51
Poles	.....	829 45
Porto Ricans	.....	7,767 01
Portuguese	.....	439 75
Swedes	.....	18,231 38
Syrians	.....	30 10
Total for Missions	.....	\$211,110 53
Amount forward	.....

* Reported in former years among Donations for Annuity and Conditional Funds.

Amount brought forward.....			\$211,710 63
FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK.			
Higher Schools for Negroes.			
Alabama Baptist Colored University, Ala.—			
Salary of C. S. Dimkins, Principal.....	\$400 00		
" " Teachers.....	600 00		
		1,000 00	
Arkansas Baptist College, Ark.—			
Salary of Jos. A. Booker, Principal.....	\$500 00		
" " Teachers.....	837 50		
		1,337 50	
Atlanta Baptist College, Ga.—			
Salary of Geo. Sale, President.....	\$1,500 00		
" " Teachers.....	4,940 39		
Expenses.....	1,091 12		
Specially Designated for Students	160 00		
Special.....	50 00		
		7,741 51	
Benedict College, S. C.—			
Salary and Expenses of Abraham C. Osborn, President...	\$1,575 92		
" of Teachers.....	4,827 50		
Expenses.....	25 00		
Specially Designated for Students.....	5 11		
		6,433 53	
Bishop College, Tex.—			
Salary of Albert Loughridge, President....	\$1,500 00		
" " Teachers	6,476 25		
Expenses.....	287 91		
Property Account.....	675 00		
		8,939 16	
Hartshorn Memorial College, Va.—			
Salary of Lyman B. Tefft, President.....	\$1,200 00		
" " Teachers.....	2,350 00		
		3,550 00	
Jackson College, Miss.—			
Salary of Luther G. Barrett, President..	\$1,500 00		
" " Teachers.....	3,391 47		
Expenses.....	123 25		
		5,014 72	
Roger Williams University, Tenn.—			
Salary of Peter B. Guernsey, President.....	\$1,500 00		
" " Teachers.....	6,080 00		
Expenses.....	384 75		
Property Account.....	1,000 00		
		8,964 75	
Shaw University, N. C.—			
Salary of Charles F. Meserve, President.....	\$2,000 00		
" " Teachers.....	5,340 00		
Expenses	461 25		
Specially Designated for Students	78 35		
Special.....	250 00		
		8,129 60	
Spelman Seminary, Ga.—			
Salary of Harriet E. Giles, President.....	\$800 00		
" " Lucy H. Upton, Dean.....	600 00		
" " Teachers.....	6,047 00		
Expenses.....	1,007 67		
Specially Designated for Students.....	2 00		
Special.....	250 00		
		8,706 67	
Specially Designated for Buildings and Equipment....		120,141 77	
Amount forward.....		\$179,959 21	\$211,710 63

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS.			
For General Purpose:—			
1.	Contributions...		\$249,723 77
2.	Surplus from Schools:		
	Bishop's College ...	\$2,254 16	
	Jackson College ...	1,100 00	
	Roger Williams University ...	1,512 83	4 936 99
3.	Legacies		145,119 01
4.	*Annuity Funds, Released by Death of Donors		13,162 06
5.	*Conditional Funds, Released by Death of Donors		874 60
6.	Income from Permanent Trust Fund		30,927 43
7.	" " " Loan Drive Fund		515 10
8.	" " " Annuity Fund		17,784 14
9.	" " " Conditional Fund ...		300 75
10.	" " " Real Estate		548 21
11.	" " " Interest and Dividends		961 73
12.	" " " Home Mission Monthly		2,674 39
13.	" " " Bulletin		410 73
14.	" " " Jubilee Volume		4 00
15.	Sale of Real Estate		179 86
16.	Miscellaneous		43 67
			158,640 33
For Special Purpose:			
1.	Contributions, designated for Schools		126,319 68
2.	For Other Purposes		1,112 72
3.	Annuity Funds, Released by Death of Annuitant, designated for Virginia Union University		7 500 00
4.	Sale of Real Estate, designated		1,040 00
			135,972 40
Total Receipts			
Cash in Treasury, April 1, 1900, Designated			
			594,021 58
			9,043 45
			\$603,064 33

DISBURSEMENTS.
FOR MISSION WORK

AMONG THE FOLLOWING NATIONALITIES		
Americans	.....	\$112,815 97
Bohemians	.....	413 34
Chinese	.....	5,106 73
Cubans	.....	7,185 29
Danes	.....	4,602 93
Finnish	.....	158 93
French	.....	6,776 47
Germans	.....	16,746 85
Hollanders	.....	300 00
Indians	.....	4,635 06
Italians	.....	3,369 07
Japanese	.....	666 16
Jews	.....	1,221 52
Mexicans	.....	10,321 66
Negroes	.....	5,748 25
Norwegians	.....	4,344 81
Poles	.....	829 45
Porto Ricans	.....	7,767 07
Portuguese	.....	439 75
Swedes	.....	18 231 38
Syrians	.....	30 60
Total for Missions		\$211,710 63
Amount forward		

* Reported in former years among Donations for Annuity and Conditional Funds.

Amount brought forward

\$211,710 63

FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK.**Higher Schools for Negroes.****Alabama Baptist Colored University, Ala.—**

Salary of C. S. Dunkins, Principal..... \$400 00

" Teachers..... 600 00

1,000 00

Arkansas Baptist College, Ark.—

Salary of Jos. A. Booker, Principal..... \$500 00

" Teachers..... 837 50

1,337 50

Atlanta Baptist College, Ga.—

Salary of Geo. Sale, President..... \$1,500 00

" Teachers..... 4,040 39

Expenses..... 1,091 12

Specially Designated for Students..... 200 00

Special..... 50 00

7,741 51

Benedict College, S. C.—

Salary and Expenses of Abraham C. Osborn, President..... \$1,575 92

" of Teachers..... 4,827 50

Expenses..... 25 00

Specially Designated for Students..... 5 21

6,413 53

Bobson College, Tex.—

Salary of Albert Loughbridge, President..... \$1,500 00

" Teachers..... 6,476 25

Expenses..... 287 91

Property Account..... 675 00

8,939 16

Hartshorn Memorial College, Va.—

Salary of Lyman. B. Telf, President..... \$1,200 00

" Teachers..... 2,350 00

3,550 00

Jackson College, Miss.—

Salary of Luther G. Barrett, President..... \$1,500 00

" Teachers..... 1,301 47

Expenses..... 123 25

5,014 72

Roger Williams University, Tenn.—

Salary of Peter R. Guernsey, President..... \$1,500 00

" Teachers..... 6,080 00

Expenses..... 384 75

Property Account..... 1,000 00

8,964 75

Shaw University, N. C.—

Salary of Charles F. Meserve, President..... \$2,000 00

" Teachers..... 5,310 00

Expenses..... 461 25

Specially Designated for Students..... 78 35

Special..... 250 00

8,129 60

Spelman Seminary, Ga.—

Salary of Harriet E. Giles, President..... \$500 00

" Lucy H. Upton, Dean..... 600 00

" Teachers..... 6,047 00

Expenses..... 1,007 67

Specially Designated for Students..... 2 00

Special..... 250 00

8,706 67

Specially Designated for Buildings and Equipment ..

120,141 77

Amount forward.....

\$179,959 21

\$211,710 63

Amount brought forward.....		\$179,959 71	\$211,710 63
State University, Ky.—			
Salary of C. L. Purce, Principal.....	\$400 00		
" " Teachers.....	650 00	1,050 00	
Virginia Union University, Va.			
Salary and Expenses of M. MacVicar, President (six months).....	\$1,118 08		
Salary of George Rice Hovey, Dean, of Wayland College	1,500 00		
Geo. F. Genung, Dean of the Theological			
Seminary.....	1,500 00		
" of Teachers.....	7,468 50		
" of other Employees.....	1,388 23		
Expenses.....	1,021 13		
Specially Designated for Students.....	174 00		
Special.....	433 17	14,604 11	
Construction Account.....	27,196 00		
Salary and Expenses of J. W. Kirby.....	369 99	27,525 99	
In Secondary Schools.			
Americus School, Ga. —			
Salary of M. W. Reddick, Principal.....	\$187 50		
" " Teachers.....	312 50	500 00	
Bible and Normal Institute, Tenn.—			
Salary of Joahus Lavistar, Principal.....		500 00	
Coleman Academy, La.—			
Salary of O. L. Coleman, Principal.....	\$400 00		
" " Teachers.....	581 28	981 28	
Florida Baptist Academy, Fla. —			
Salary of N. W. Collier, Principal.....	\$300 00		
" " Teachers.....	200 00		
Specially Designated for Students.....	100 00	600 00	
Florida Institute, Fla. —			
Salary of G. P. McKinney, Principal.....	\$116 68		
" " Teachers.....	233 38		
Expenses.....	59 25	409 31	
Hearne Academy, Tex. —			
Salary of F. G. Davis, Principal.....	\$187 50		
" " Teachers.....	312 50		
" " A. R. Griggs, Special.....	243 75		
" " F. G. Davis, ".....	104 16	847 91	
Houston Academy, Tex.—			
Salary of D. A. Scott, Principal.....	\$187 50		
" " Teachers.....	303 08		
" " A. R. Griggs, Special.....	243 75		
" " F. G. Davis, ".....	104 16	638 49	
Amount forward.....		\$227,816 30	\$211,710 63

Amount brought forward.....		\$227,816 30	\$211,710 63
Jesuit Academy, Ga.—			
Salary of J. H. Brown, Principal.....	\$308 33		
" " Teachers.....	208 30	516 63	
Mather School, S. C.—			
Salary of Mrs. R. C. Mather, Principal.....	\$200 00		
" " Teachers.....	900 00	1,100 00	
Spiller Academy, Ga.—			
Salary of George E. Read, Principal.....	\$300 00		
Salary of Teachers.....	200 00	500 00	
Walker Baptist Academy, Ga.—			
Salary of N. W. Curtright, Principal.....	\$160 00		
" " Teachers.....	340 00	500 00	
Waters' Normal Institute, N. C.—			
Salary of C. S. Brown, Principal.....	\$650 00		
" " Teachers.....	650 00	1,300 00	
Western College, Mo.—			
Salary of Enoch L. Scruggs, Principal.....	\$270 00		
" " Teachers.....	380 00		
Special.....	460 00	1,110 00	
Work in Tennessee.—			
Salary and Expenses of T. J. Searcy.....		534 66	
In Indian Schools.			
Indiana University, I. T.—			
Salary of J. H. Scott, President.....	\$1,200 00		
" " Teachers.....	2,877 31		
Expenses.....	1,624 03		
Specially Designated for Students.....	40 00	5,741 34	
Asoka Academy, Ind. Ter.—			
Salary of E. H. Rinkel, Principal.....	\$900 00		
" " Teachers.....	925 00	1,825 00	
Cherokee Academy, Ind. Ter.—			
Salary of J. C. Park, Principal.....	\$800 00		
" " Teachers.....	748 85		
Expenses.....	64 10	1,612 95	
Wichita Academy, O. T.—			
Salary of D. Noble Crase, Principal.....	\$600 00		
" " Interpreter.....	12 00	612 00	
Amount forward.....		\$243,168 88	\$211,710 63

Amount brought forward.		\$283,168 88	\$211,710 67
In Chinese Schools.			
Salary of Teachers at Fresno, Cal.	\$500 00		
" " " " Oakland.	730 00		
" " " " Sacramento.	400 00		
" " " " San Francisco.	900 00		
Expenses	258 53		
		2,788 53	
Butte, Mont.		300 00	
Spokane, Wash.		420 00	
In Schools for Mexicans			
Schools in Mexico.—			
International, Monterey			
Salary of Teachers	\$400 31		
School Supplies	28 86		
		428 17	
Montemorelos —			
Salary of Teachers.	185 00		
Expenses	15 00		
		200 00	
Velarde School, New Mexico.—			
Salary of Teachers.	\$1,215 00		
Expenses.	190 00		
		1,405 00	
In Schools for Cubans			
Santiago.			
Salary and Expenses of Teachers.	\$783 30		
School Equipment	389 23		
		1,172 53	
In Schools for Porto Ricans			
Ponce —			
Salary and Expenses of Teachers		668 10	
In Schools for Mexicans			
Provo, Utah.			
Salary of Teachers		702 00	
Total for Education			\$251,263 21
Amount forward			\$462,973 84

Amount brought forward.....		\$42,073 54
GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS.		
Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., Field Sec., Salary.....	\$4,000 00	
Traveling and Incidental Expenses.....	527 25	
Rev. M. MacVicar, LL D., Supt. Ed'n, Salary, 6 Mo.....	1,500 00	
Traveling and Incidental Expenses.....	155 00	
Rev. N. B. Rinlen, Supt. Missions, Salary.....	2,000 00	
Traveling and Incidental Expenses.....	74 68	\$2,074 68
DISTRICT SECRETARIES.		
Rev. S. C. Fulmer, Salary.....	1,300 00	
Expenses of District.....	750 08	
Rev. F. T. Hazlewood, D D., Salary.....	2,000 00	
Expenses of District.....	1,250 52	
Rev. E. H. E. Jameson, D.D., Salary.....	1,700 00	
Expenses of District.....	683 45	
Rev. E. B. Palmer, D D., Salary.....	2,000 00	
Expenses of District.....	1,000 50	
Rev. W. E. Powell, D.D., Salary.....	1,200 00	
Expenses of District.....	234 37	
Rev. D. D. Proper, Salary.....	1,450 00	
Expenses of District.....	1,044 72	
Mrs. Wm. Scott, Salary.....	800 00	
Expenses.....	509 66	
Special.....	100 00	
Rev. Dwight Spencer, D.D., Salary.....	1,200 00	
Expenses of District.....	640 03	
Rev. J. J. B. Thomas, D.D., Salary.....	2,000 00	
Expenses of District.....	1,121 02	
Mrs. F. G. Wheeler, Salary.....	600 00	
Expenses of District.....	492 76	
Rev. O. A. Williams, D.D., Salary.....	1,800 00	
Expenses of District.....	430 44	
Rev. C. A. Woody, Salary.....	1,500 00	
Expenses of District.....	680 25	\$26,540 07
SECRETARY'S AND TREASURER'S DEPARTMENTS.		
Rev. T. J. Morgan, LL D., Cor. Sec., Salary.....	4,000 00	
Expenses.....	143 65	
Frank R. Hathaway, Treasurer, Salary.....	2,750 00	
Expenses.....	49 00	
Assistant Secretary and Clerks.....	9,103 59	16,046 24
PUBLICATION ACCOUNT.		
Home Mission Monthly.....	3,779 37	
Home Mission Bulletin.....	768 62	
Home Mission Echoes.....	621 61	5,169 60
EXPENSE ACCOUNT.		
Anniversary Expenses.....	143 79	
Annual Report.....	953 79	
Audit.....	200 00	
Exchange.....	158 82	
Furniture.....	18 00	
Incidental Expenses.....	1,805 04	
Interest.....	12,341 38	
Internal Revenue.....	234 11	
Legal Expenses.....	302 38	
Postage.....	844 55	
Printing and Stationery.....	2,589 16	
Rent.....	3,325 00	23,005 72
Less amount paid by Church Edifice Funds.....		\$7,779 16
Amount forward.....		\$74,773 00

Amount brought forward 1.

\$517,771 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Annuities.
Real Estate.
J. M. Whitehead.
Invested

\$22,318 34
222 43
500 00
1,800 00

\$24,840 77

Total Disbursements.
Debt of the Society, April 1, 1900

562,613 77
37,200 00

\$599,814 77

Cash in the Treasury, April 1, 1901, Available
" " " " " " Designated.

203 45
8,640 75

8,850 16

\$903,664 83

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR CHURCH EDIFICE WORK.—Continued.

CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND RECEIPTS.

Contributions.....	\$843 00	
Loans Repaid.....	19,896 18	
Interest received.....	5,781 48	
Total Receipts.....		\$26,520 66
Balance in Treasury, April 1, 1900.....		4,294 53
		<u>\$30,815 19</u>

CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND DISBURSEMENTS.

Loans to the following Churches		
*California, Palo Alto.....	\$2,000 00	
" " San Luis Obispo.....	500 00	
" " Whittier.....	1,000 00	
*Colorado, Louisville.....	250 00	
*Idaho, Lewiston.....	500 00	
*Indian Territory, Ardmore.....	500 00	
Ukiahom, Guthrie, First Colored Church.....	500 00	
Oregon, Condon.....	200 00	
" Portland, Calvary Church.....	125 00	
South Dakota, Georgia, First Swede Church.....	400 00	
" " Sun Prairie.....	400 00	
Total Amount of Loans.....		\$9,175 00
Annul es.....	\$42 38	
Expenses.—		
Administration.....	3 139 68	
Interest.....	628 95	
		7 814 11
Miscellaneous.....		349 75
Transferred to Ch. Edif. v B. n. Tr. Fd.....	\$4,950 00	
" " Annuity Fund.....	5,000 00	
		9,950 00
Total Disbursements.....		\$21,685 76
Balance in the Treasury, April 1, 1901.....		10,129 43
		<u>\$30,815 19</u>

*Also a Gift from the Gift Fund.

INVESTED FUNDS OF THE SOCIETY.

I. PERMANENT TRUST FUND.

The Society has received the following funds, which it holds in trust, expending only the income:

FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.

Allen, Jonas	100 00	Kelly, Chloe M.....	500 00
Anderson, David	1,000 00	Kendall, Horace	1,000 00
Axtell, Mrs. H. E.....	311 11	Lees, William B.....	950 00
Bailie, David	1,055 00	Linch, Jarett	12,395 43
Barney, Nancy Potter, Memorial	5,000 00	Little, Nathan	3,874 68
Blain, John	1,000 00	Logan, John	400 00
Bleecker, G. N.....	17,000 00	Merrick, Austin	53,069 30
Brimhall, Parmelia	1,572 99	Mendenhall, T. G.....	1,932 33
Brockett, E. J.....	1,000 00	Norcross, Stephen W...	500 00
Butler, Charles S.....	1,000 00	Noyes, Mary	1,000 00
Capen, Barnabas D.....	10,000 00	Nugent, George	1,000 00
Carleton, Younglove ...	830 21	Pease, Nancy P.....	1,000 00
Cheever, William	7,657 82	Pillsbury, George A....	5,000 00
Corry, Aaron	1,480 81	Roberts, Elizabeth	3,000 00
Darling, Henry	1,000 00	Rockwell, Rufus	461 80
Davis, Isaac	10,100 00	Rogers, Anna	500 00
Drown, Mary Newell ..	600 00	Rogers, Eliz. W.....	500 00
Dunbar, Robert	500 00	Ruth, Mordecai T.....	5,242 68
Eldridge, Lyman	75 00	Selleck, Levi	1,000 00
Fay, Mrs. L. R. B.....	4,189 61	Sherman, George J.....	1,000 00
Fiske, Theron	2,500 00	Smith, Alice, Memorial.	5 00
Flint, Harriet N.....	5,000 00	Stephens, Amos	55 70
Frazer Fund	3,500 00	Swaim, Mary A. M.....	9,400 00
Frisbe, Sarah M.....	1,000 00	Thorn, Mrs. John.	
Giddings, Mrs. Lovina..	600 00	Memorial	5,000 00
Glover, Henry R.....	5,000 00	Tripp, Susan	500 00
Ham, William	100 00	Van Husan, C., Me-	
Howard, Harry H.....	100 00	memorial	2,000 00
Hoyt, Joseph B.....	25,000 00	Wickens, George	500 00
John, Lizzie J., Mc-		Woods, John	1,922 19
memorial	1,000 00	Wolverton, George A...	5,000 00
		†—————	2,000 00

Total for General Purposes..... \$229,981 66

FOR SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION.

Bostwick, Jabez A.....	\$6,000.00
Bradford, S. S.....	1,000.00
Colby, Emily S.....	200.00
Marston, S. W.....	1,000.00

Amount forward..... \$8,200 00 \$229,981 66

Amount brought forward.....		\$8,200 00	\$229,981 66
Endowment of Schools, viz.:			
Atlanta Baptist College,			
General Endowment	5 00		
Cook, Josiah W.....	20,000 00		
Ripley, Mrs. A. O.....	1,000 00		
		\$21,005 00	
Benedict College,			
General Endowment		\$121,107 98	
Indian University,			
General Endowment ..		2,126 02	
Jackson College,			
General Endowment		476 25	
Roger Williams University,			
General Endowment	3,850 96		
Champney, Sarah H.....	500 00		
†—————	530 00		
		\$4,880 96	
Shaw University,			
General Endowment	26,588 02		
Buss, Harriet M	350 00		
Leonard, Judson Wade	5,000 00		
		\$31,938 02	
Spelman Seminary,			
General Endowment	256 00		
Monroe, Mary E.....	5,000 00		
†—————	900 00		
		\$6,156 00	
Virginia Union University,			
General Endowment,			
Harris, Mary D.....	1,000 00		
Hedstrom Fund	1,000 00		
Library Fund	3,763 44		
Theological Department,			
Colby, Emily S.....	500 00		
Hoyt, Joseph B.....	25,000 00		
Reed, Susan C.....	1,000 00		
Rockefeller, John D.....	25,000 00		
Smith, S. F.....	1,000 00		
Tolman, Lydia L.....	1,400 00		
Union Professorship	7,248 41		
Waterhouse, C. W.....	1,000 00		
Amount forward.....	67,911 85	\$195,890 23	\$229,981 66

Amount brought forward.....	\$67,911 85	\$195,890 23	\$229,981 66
Collegiate Department,			
General Endowment	19,070 33		
Gray, Mercy Maria	2,000 00		
Wayland, Elizabeth L.....	150 00		
†—————	1,500 00		
		<u>\$90,632 18</u>	
Total for Schools and Education			<u>\$286,522 41</u>
			<u>\$516,504 07</u>

FOR MISCELLANEOUS PURPOSES.

Smart, John	\$1,000 00	
Whiting, Martha	1,000 00	\$2,000 00
Total Fund, April 1st, 1901.....		<u>\$518,504 07</u>

Amount reported last year		\$531,257 01
Increase as follows:		
Endowment of Atlanta Baptist College..	\$106 65	
" " Benedict College.....	928 65	
" " Spelman Seminary.....	125 00	
" " Virginia Union Univer-		
sity	1,010 00	
Mendenhall, Estate of T. G.....	1,932 33	
Pillsbury, Estate of George A.....	1,000 00	5,102 63
		<u>\$536,359 64</u>
Decrease, by amount transferred to An-		
nuity Fund	\$17,800 00	
Decrease, by amount returned	55 57	\$17,855 57
		<u>\$518,504 07</u>
Total Fund, April 1, 1901.....		

The above funds are invested as follows:

Mortgages on real estate in New York	
and Brooklyn	\$299,000 00
Mortgages elsewhere	45,566 78
Railroad bonds	86,648 34
Railroad bonds and stocks, as donated.....	8,300 00
Other bonds	21,000 00
Other stocks and bonds, as donated.....	7,700 00
Real estate	33,358 87
	<u>\$501,573 99</u>
Amount forward.....	

Amount brought forward.....	\$501,573 99
Cash in Depository	5,004 38
	<u>\$506,578 37</u>
Profit and Loss	11,925 70
	<u>\$518,504 07</u>

II.—ANNUITY FUND.

Donations upon which interest is paid, during life, either to the donor, or to such person or object as the donor may designate:

Amount reported April 1, 1900.....	\$422,419 39
Added during the year by donations.....	\$35,896 77
Added during the year by transfer.....	17,800 00 53,696 77
	<u>\$476,116 16</u>
Transferred to General Fund during the year by death of annuitants	\$20,602 90
Transferred to Conditional Fund	10 00
Transferred to American Baptist Missionary Union, in accordance with terms of gift	500 00
Transferred to American and Foreign Bible Society, in accordance with terms of gift.....	500 00
	<u>\$21,612 90</u>
Total Fund, April 1, 1901	\$454,503 26

These Funds are invested as follows, viz.:

Mortgages on real estate in New York and Brooklyn	\$33,400 00
Mortgages elsewhere	53,475 62
Real estate	64,897 12
Stocks, bonds and debentures	16,547 44
Stocks and bonds as donated.....	12,564 75
Temporary loan for construction of Virginia Union University, \$65,000; designated, balance secured by assets, Schedule VI.....	158,564 67
Cash in depositories	103,841 45
	<u>\$443,291 05</u>
Suspense account	11,212 21
	<u>\$454,503 26</u>

The following list gives the amounts upon which the Society is now paying interest:

Allen, Jonathan L.....	\$3,317 10	Fisk, Miss Grace.....	1,000 00
Allen, Laura M.....	1,000 00	Foster, Margaret S.....	5,000 00
Ambler, Mrs. A. T.....	28,900 00	Gates, Marcius A.....	2,000 00
Ashley, Miss L. M.....	400 00	Gould, Julia N.....	250 00
Arnold, Ann Elizabeth...	1,000 00	Grow, Rev. W. B.....	100 00
Blake, Mrs. Fannie R....	1,000 00	Hale, David.....	5,000 00
Bell, Miss Minerva.....	500 00	Haley, Mrs. A. M.....	2,500 00
Brett, Mrs. Celia L.....	1,700 00	Hall, Mrs. Anne E.....	1,600 00
Bidwell, Wm. L.....	1,000 00	Harbig, Mrs. Mary E....	1,000 00
Bishop, Mrs. C. C.....	19,000 00	Hardin, Florence J.....	100 00
Briggs, Miss Addie I....	1,000 00	Harris, Mrs. Mary D....	2,000 00
Bliss, John W.....	1,500 00	Hawkins, William.....	12,000 00
Boardman, Mrs. M. O....	500 00	Henrich, A.	2,000 00
Boynton, Mrs. H. D....	486 10	Herrick, Mrs. M. B....	300 00
Brockway, Mrs. Alice T..	4,000 00	Hitchcock, Titus L.....	1,001 00
Brown, Mrs. Lura K....	1,000 00	Hoff, Mary Augusta....	2,000 00
Brown, Mrs. Samuel N..	1,000 00	Homan, Sarah A.....	1,274 73
Burke, Miss Ida J.....	500 00	Howe, William	5,000 00
Capes, Miss Jane	1,000 00	Huff, Miss Elizabeth....	500 00
Carpenter, Miss Harriett.	8,000 00	Hughes, William.....	1,000 00
Carr, Miss Ann Alila...	500 00	Huntley, William E....	9,000 00
Chamberlain, W. D.....	1,000 00	Hurlin, Rev. William....	1,000 00
Chapin, Miss Anna D..	600 00	Jones, Mrs. J. N.....	2,500 00
Clark, Miss Julia.....	1,023 27	Kelsey, Mrs. D. Eliza....	100 00
Clark, Solomon	1,000 00	Kingsley, Chester W....	25,000 00
Crawford, Mrs. A. B....	40 00	Kingsbury, Mary B.....	400 00
Cheney, Alfred	400 00	Knight, Sarah J.....	2,500 00
Chilson, Gardner.....	26,666 66	Lamp, Hannah H.....	2,000 00
Chittenden, Catherine...	1,000 00	Lane, Lizzie A.....	1,000 00
Chittenden, Lavina S....	1,000 00	Larnill, Nancy Q.....	83 47
Collingwood, Effie J....	500 00	Lesure, L. A.....	500 00
Coolidge, Anna M. J....	1,000 00	Merrifield, Mrs. J. H....	100 00
Crosby, Mrs. Sarah Ford	250 00	Millard, O. H.....	1,000 00
Currier, Mary H.....	500 00	Mitchell, Mrs. Julia M...	200 00
Dakin, Mrs. Mary R....	730 00	Musson, Hephzibah F...	500 00
Darrow, Mrs. Harriet E.	55 50	Nichols, Charles H.....	3,800 00
Davis, Eli.....	7,300 00	Nye, Mrs. J. E.....	1,000 00
Disbrow, Mrs. Clarissa..	500 00	Onderdonk, Miss H. W..	27,000 00
Durban, Mrs. B. J.....	1,500 00	Parker, Miss Laura.....	200 00
Durfee, J. H.....	2,000 00	Parnley, Miss M. E.....	200 00
Dyer, Mrs. Lucy D....	1,000 00	Pratt, William C.....	500 00
Evans, Evan W.....	1,900 00	Pettit, Mrs. Curtis.....	200 00
Edwards, P. M.....	1,000 00	Pevear, Henry A.....	12,500 00
Erwin, Mrs. Keziah....	100 00	Pickford, Mrs. A. M....	5,000 00
Fernald, Mrs. E. H....	2,500 00	Pisor, Margaret.....	2,015 00
Ferry, Monroe.....	500 00	Phillips, Lydia B.....	200 00
Fletcher, John.....	200 00	Proctor, Joel.....	2,000 00
Fish, Mrs. Ada B.....	3,000 00	Richardson, Mrs. H. V..	5,000 00
Fish, R. D.....	100 00	Riggs, D. W.....	2,500 00

Rigley, Mrs. Eliza.....	2,000 00	Willet, Mrs. H. S.....	1,750 00
Rogers, Alexander W....	4,000 00	Williams, John.....	7,000 00
Rogers, Mrs. Jane M....	1,000 00	Wilson, Mary E.....	500 00
Root, John A.....	600 00	Wolcott, Mrs. M. L....	100 00
Russell, P. R.....	2,700 00	Woolsey, Mrs. Lucy T..	400 00
Savage, Eleazer.....	2,000 00	† —————	1,500 00
Sawyer, William H.....	1,000 00	† —————	1,900 00
Stacey, Sarah H.....	100 00	† —————	5,500 00
Swan, Edward P.....	5,860 00	† —————	1,000 00
Seeley, J. V. K.....	550 00	† —————	1,600 00
Shepardson, D.....	1,000 00	† —————	5,000 00
Shepardson, Mrs. E. S..	2,000 00	† —————	2,000 00
Shepardson, Mary D....	1,000 00	† —————	3,500 00
Sheridan, Rev. William..	1,000 00	† —————	1,000 00
Stewart, A. J.....	50 00	† —————	8,000 00
Silliman, Cornelia A. W..	1,000 00	† —————	375 00
Simmons, James B.....	2,608 37	† —————	2,000 00
Scribner, Mrs. Eliza M..	300 00	† —————	500 00
Spring, M. B.....	3,000 00	† —————	5,000 00
Springstead, Mason.....	2,000 00	† —————	1,000 00
Smith, Daniel.....	1,000 00	† —————	884 00
Smith, Mrs. J. L.....	800 00	† —————	5,500 00
Stoddard, D. H.....	1,000 00	† —————	500 00
Shoults, Harriet C.....	200 00	† —————	500 00
Sumner, Mrs. S. A.....	500 00	† —————	7,000 00
Taft, Mrs. A. B.....	1,600 00	† —————	1,000 00
Train, Mrs. C. W.....	2,000 00	† —————	10,000 00
Tirrell, Jesse.....	5,000 00	† —————	6,000 00
Twiss, Waldo C.....	1,000 00	† —————	2,000 00
Topping, A. R.....	571 79	† —————	300 00
Towne, Mrs. Mary A....	1,200 00	† —————	4,000 00
Thompson, Eliza J.....	2,000 00	† —————	100 00
Thompson, Judith E....	600 00	† —————	900 00
Thomson, Anne.....	500 00	† —————	5,000 00
Trowbridge, Luther H...	5,000 00	† —————	500 00
Troyer, William.....	1,500 00	† —————	250 00
Utt, Mrs. Alice Francis..	1,000 00	† —————	6,000 00
Ward, Mrs. Clara.....	2,323 66	† —————	500 00
Watts, Henry.....	1,000 00	† —————	1,000 00
West, Mrs. N. K.....	50 00	† —————	500 00
White, Mrs. Ellen M....	1,000 00	† —————	

† Donors who do not wish their names published.

III.—CONDITIONAL FUND.

Donations held temporarily in Trust subject to the Conditions imposed by the donors.

Amount reported last year.....	8,715 00
Added during the year.....	1,908 16

\$10,623 16

Transferred to General Fund, by death of Donors....	\$875 00	
Transferred to Atlanta Baptist College.....	387 00	
Transferred to Beneficiary, in accordance with the terms of Gift.....	225 00	
Charged off.....	600 00	2,087 00

Total Fund, April 1st, 1901..... \$8,536 16

Invested as follows, viz:—

Railroad Bonds	4,690 55	
Other Bonds, as donated.....	380 00	
Cash in Depository.....	3,465 61	

\$8,536 16

The following is a List of the Contributions to this Fund:

†.....	\$1,000 00	
†.....	5,000 00	
†.....	1,149 81	
Cook, Estate of Josiah W.....	1,386 35	

\$8,536 16

†Donors who do not wish their names published.

IV.—CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT TRUST FUND.

Amount of Fund.....\$163,453 08

Invested as follows, viz:—

Mortgages on Real Estate in New York and Brooklyn	48,000 00
Mortgages elsewhere	8,250 00
Stocks and Bonds as Donated	39,390 00
Real Estate	63,544 09
Cash in Depository	3,472 30

\$162,656 39

Deficiency Account	796 69
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Total Fund, April 1st, 1901.....\$163,453 08

V.—CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND.

Amount of Outstanding Loans.....	137,711	74
Cash in Treasury.....	10,129	43
	\$147,841	17
Amount reported last year.....	156,373	26
Receipts, Contributions and Interest.....	6,624	48
Disbursements—	162,997	74
Expenses	3,139	68
Interest	628	95
Annuities	42	38
	3,811	01
	159,186	73
Charged to Profit and Loss.....	1,395	56
Transferred to Ch. Ed. Ben. Tr. Fd.....	4,950	00
Transferred to Annuity Fund.....	5,000	00
	11,345	56
Total Fund, April 1st, 1901	\$147,841	17

VI.—MISCELLANEOUS

For General Purposes.

Assets:	
Stocks and Bonds.	\$6,027 18
Mortgages.....	22,174 85
Real Estate.....	12,907 75
Miscellaneous.....	5,891 82
Liabilities:	\$47,001 60
Note to Annuity Fund, for Construc-	
tion of Virginia Union University. \$158,564 67	
Less Washington Real Estate.....	73,712 40
	84,852 27
Less Donations, Designated.....	65,000 00
	19,852 27

For Church Edifice Work.

	\$27,149 31
Stocks	5,000 00
Mortgages	5,000 00
Real Estate	40,500 00
	\$50,500 00

FRANK R. HATHAWAY, *Treasurer.*

111 Fifth Avenue, New York, March 31, 1901.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We have the honor to report that the books, accounts and vouchers of the Society have been audited monthly during the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 1901, by Theodore Pentlarge, Certified Public Accountant, from whom we have the following Certificate, which we approve,

LEONARD F. REQUA.
EDGAR L. MARSTON.

Auditors.

NEW YORK,
May 1, 1901.

NEW YORK CITY, 220 Broadway, March 31, 1901.

I have made a monthly audit of the books, accounts and vouchers of the American Baptist Home Mission Society during the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 1901, and I hereby certify that the foregoing Report of the Treasurer is true and in accordance with the books; that the monies received by the Society have been applied as designated by the donors and disbursed in accordance with appropriations made by the Executive Board. I further certify that the securities, mortgages and other investments mentioned in the foregoing Report are held by the Society, and that at the close of the Fiscal Year the amounts named in the foregoing Report were to the credit of the Society in its several Banks of deposit.

TH. PENTLARGE,

Certified Public Accountant.

In addition to the foregoing, the value of the School and Mission Properties under the charge of the Society, is estimated as follows :

I.—SCHOOL PROPERTIES.

Atlanta Baptist College, Atlanta, Ga	Estimated Value,	\$75,000 00
Atoka Academy, Atoka, I. T.	" "	8,755 00
Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.	" "	76,000 00
Bishop College, Marshall, Tex.,	" "	100,000 00
Florida Baptist Academy, Jacksonville, Fla.,	" "	11,170 00
†Florida Institute, Live Oak, Fla.,	" "	840 00
Indian University, Bacone, I. T.	" "	30,000 00
Jackson College, Jackson, Miss.	" "	35,000 00
Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.	" "	130,000 00
Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga	" "	300,000 00
Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.	" "	300,000 00
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		\$1,066,765 00

†Society's Equity.

II.—MISSION PROPERTIES.

Anadarko, Okla. Ter.	Estimated Value,	\$1,800 00
Elk Creek, Okla. Ter.	" "	2,500 00
City of Mexico, Mex.	" "	26,000 00
Fort Sill, Okla. Ter.	" "	2,500 00
New Laredo, Mex.	" "	1,800 00
Rio Piedras, Porto Rico	" "	1,400 00
Rainy Mountain, Okla. Ter.	" "	2,500 00
San Francisco, Cal.	" "	22,000 00
Santiago, Cuba.	" "	15,000 00
Skagway, Alaska.	" "	3,000 00
Tahlequah, Ind. Ter.	" "	5,000 00
Watonga, Okla. Ter.	" "	800 00
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		\$84,300 00

LEGACIES.

RECEIVED FROM APRIL 1, 1900, to MARCH 31, 1901.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

<i>Exeter.</i> —Estate of Isaac S. Shute.....	\$5,000 00
<i>Southampton.</i> —Estate of Rebecca C. Palmer.....	400 00

VERMONT.

<i>Burlington.</i> —Estate of Rev. G. W. Arms.....	500 00
<i>Castleton.</i> —Estate of Flotella Ransom.....	112 00
<i>Fairfax.</i> —Estate of J. M. Hotchkiss.....	16 00
<i>Windsor.</i> —Estate of J. P. Skinner.....	8 78

MASSACHUSETTS.

<i>Agawam.</i> —Estate of Mary Ann Smith.....	271 42
<i>Boston.</i> —Estate of John Woods.....	32 22
Estate of Daniel Sharp Ford.....	68,666 66
Estate of Wilson Morse.....	4,630 99
<i>Cambridge.</i> —Estate of Josiah W. Cook.....	1,880 00
<i>Essex.</i> —Estate of Benjamin Porter.....	48 94
<i>Gardner.</i> —Estate of Susanna Stone.....	65 98
<i>North Attleboro.</i> —Estate of Cornelia A. Everett.....	1,550 57
<i>Newburyport.</i> —Estate of Mary Elwell.....	23 15
<i>Pittsfield.</i> —Estate of Almiron D. Francis.....	1,500 00
<i>Quincy.</i> —Estate of Nancy M. Jones.....	68 38
<i>Randolph.</i> —Estate of J. C. Foster, D.D.....	1,000 00
<i>Southbridge.</i> —Estate of J. Edwards.....	54 00
<i>Southbridge.</i> —Estate of Mary E. Gleason.....	334 37
<i>Westfield.</i> —Estate of Anna Latimer.....	1,500 00
<i>Wakefield.</i> —Estate of Eunice Hall.....	66 19
<i>Woburn.</i> —Estate of Peter Fisk.....	316 53

RHODE ISLAND.

Providence.—Estate of H. Jackson..... 37 50

CONNECTICUT.

Hartford.—Estate of Amelia B. Grey..... 406 04
Hartford.—Estate of George E. Martin..... 20,000 00
New London.—Estate of Polly Browning..... 12 00
Putnam.—Estate of Mary P. Gates..... 23 34
Putnam.—Estate of Johanna Barrett..... 44 44
Stamford.—Estate of Nancy Smith..... 33 32
Stonington.—Estate of Stephen Woodward..... 500 00
Thompson.—Estate of Valentine Ballard 200 00
Waterford.—Estate of Sarah E. Beckwith..... 300 00

NEW YORK.

Amenia.—Estate of N. Rose..... 300 00
Albion.—Estate of Mrs. Mary E. Stewart..... 2,375 76
Auburn.—Estate of Matilda P. Cone..... 106 00
Brooklyn.—Estate of a Friend of Missions..... 150 00
Brooklyn.—Estate of Joseph Wild..... 1,214 28
Earlville.—Estate of Nancy D. Parsons..... 1,000 00
Elmira.—Estate of Lizzie Robbins..... 47 50
Fabius.—Estate of Wealthy P. Cleveland..... 270 96
Fayetteville.—Estate of I. K. Brownson..... 46 90
Franklin.—Estate of Esther Foote..... 200 00
Hudson.—Estate of Jerusha Van Deusen..... 2,697 30
Henrietta.—Estate of Elihu Stone..... 50 00
Manchester.—Estate of Polly Mitchell..... 18 00
Norwich.—Estate of William B. Lewis..... 4,832 13
Palmyra.—Estate of William Henry Sawyer, for C. E. F..... 1,000 00
Utica.—Estate of Ervin B. Kenyon..... 2 50
West Danby.—Estate of Isaac Briggs..... 1,000 00
Williamsville.—Estate of Helen M. Randall, for C. E. F..... 4,390 00

NEW JERSEY.

Bridgeton.—Estate of Narcissa B. Sleeper..... 20 70
Bridgeton.—Estate of James H. Flanagan..... 843 81
Plainfield.—Estate of Franklin H. Bigelow..... 1,500 00

PENNSYLVANIA.

<i>Peters Creek.</i> —Estate of Ann S. Benson.....	25 50
<i>Philadelphia.</i> —Estate of Susan B. Acker.....	459 31
<i>Philadelphia.</i> —Estate of William C. McIntosh.....	3,111 62
<i>Philadelphia.</i> —Estate of Sarah Crawford.....	190 00
<i>Wanesburg.</i> —Estate of David Rush.....	47 50

WEST VIRGINIA.

<i>Sinks Grove.</i> —Estate of Margaret Coffman.....	54 25
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TEXAS.

<i>Dallas.</i> —Estate of Eliza McCoy.....	4,870 15
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OHIO.

<i>Colebrook.</i> —Estate of Matilda Treat.....	3 40
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MICHIGAN.

<i>Albion.</i> —Estate of Edward Rice.....	93 75
<i>Detroit.</i> —Estate of Mrs. Sophia Turner, for C. E. F.....	750 00
<i>Marshall.</i> —Estate of Martha D. Leach.....	1,000 00

ILLINOIS.

<i>Aledo.</i> —Estate of John Holmes.....	200 00
<i>Amboy.</i> —Estate of Alexander Fisher.....	17 50
<i>Jacksonville.</i> —Estate of Allen C. Spencer.....	2,649 87
<i>Stillman Valley.</i> —Estate of Jerusha Tilton.....	1,609 76

WISCONSIN.

<i>Janesville.</i> —Estate of James B. Crosby.....	1,132 83
<i>Lancaster.</i> —Estate of Belinda Woodruff.....	500 00
<i>Milwaukee.</i> —Estate of Louisa L. Hanchett.....	1,685 45
<i>Oshkosh.</i> —Estate of Rev. E. S. Thomas.....	50 00

MINNESOTA.

<i>Winona.</i> —Estate of Mrs. Cynthia M. Noyes.....	200 00
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IOWA.

Iowa Falls.—Estate of Mrs. Susanne Cook..... 237 48

CALIFORNIA.

Santa Ana.—Estate of Dexter P. Smith..... 701 98

Total\$151,259 01

FOR ACCOUNT OF PERMANENT TRUST FUND.

Springfield, Ill.—Estate of T. G. Mendenhall..... \$1,932 33

Cambridgeport, Mass.—Estate of Josiah W. Cook..... 106 65

Minneapolis, Minn.—Estate of George A. Pillsbury .. 1,000 00

Pawtucket, R. I.—Estate of Bathsheba A. Benedict 928 65

\$3,967 63

FOR ACCOUNT OF CONDITIONAL FUND.

Cambridgeport, Mass.—Estate of Josiah W. Cook..... \$1,773 35

FOR ACCOUNT OF ANNUITY FUND.

West Suffield, Conn.—Estate of W. S. Pomeroy..... \$2,323,66

Grand total\$159,323 65

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*** Teachers.**

KENTUCKY.									
P. H. Kennedy.....	General Missionary, Colored	52	104	156	274	20	9954	730 67
R. B. Butler.....	District Missionary, Colored	52	151	34	203	.....	47354	.....	397 12
C. L. Purce, Pres.	State University, Louisville.....	52	42	27	90	.....	4000	.....	.....
Mrs. E. F. Kennedy.....	State University, Louisville.....	9	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. M. C. Inger.....	State University, Louisville.....	39	.....	1	22	.....	800	.....	.....
Mrs. M. E. Steward.....	State University, Louisville.....	39	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. J. Frye.....	State University, Louisville.....	39	24	4	37	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miss L. M. Seeley.....	State University, Louisville.....	39	.....	.....	17	.....	700	.....	.....
TENNESSEE.									
J. Searcy.....	Financial Agent.....	52	24	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. Gueroev, Pres.	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alfred Owen, D.D.	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Leora Huffman.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dixie E. Williams.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May Huston.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Belle L. Pettigrew.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. H. H. Smith.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mary J. Tweedle.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Anna F. Griffith.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Henriah Walden.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
William Harrison.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Corra E. B. Jones.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Emily F. Ames.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Leora L. Keet.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. H. Smith.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. P. B. Guernsey.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Joshua Legwater, Prin.	Bible and Normal Inst., Memphis.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. R. C. Mather.....	Mather School, Beaufort.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sarah E. Owen.....	Mather School, Beaufort.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lizzie R. Knapton.....	Mather School, Beaufort.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Constant R. Harvey.....	Mather School, Beaufort.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. N. C. Barber.....	Mather School, Beaufort.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
NORTH CAROLINA.									
J. A. Whitted.....	General Missionary, Colored.....	52	108	45	235	283	.....	.....	827 03
W. T. H. Woodward.....	Dist. Missionary, Colored, East.....	52	140	150	284	23	250	85	621 34
A. B. Vincent.....	Dist. Missionary, Colored, Central.....	52	103	201	80	25	1500	.....	710 87
P. K. Maloy.....	Dist. Missionary, Colored, West.....	52	124	74	104	4	544 08
C. S. Brown.....	Special Agent.....	18	4

* Teachers.

MISSIONARY TABLE.

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NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELD OF LABOR	WORKS OF LABOR.										ADDED TO CHURCH.	BY BAPTISM. BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CHURCH OFFICES ERECTED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OR- GANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUN- DAY-SCHOOLS.	BENEVOLENT CONTRI- BUTION.
		CHURCHES AND OUT- STATIONS SUPPLIED.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYER AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BIBLES AND TESTA- MENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.													
Miss E. W. Wagg.	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss L. L. Darr.	Spelman Seminary, Atlanta.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mr. W. C. Curritt.	Walker Baptist Institute, Augusta.	35	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Mrs. N. W. Curritt.	Walker Baptist Institute, Augusta.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss G. L. Palmer.	Walker Baptist Institute, Augusta.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss L. A. Lee.	Walker Baptist Institute, Augusta.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss B. B. Lyons.	Walker Baptist Institute, Augusta.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
FLORIDA.																				
Mr. W. Collier, Prin.	Florida Academy, Jacksonville.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss S. A. Blocker.	Florida Academy, Jacksonville.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mr. P. McKunney, Prin.	Florida Institute, Live Oak.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mr. C. Jones.	Florida Institute, Live Oak.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mr. Frances Wingfield.	Florida Institute, Live Oak.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
ALABAMA.																				
Mr. S. Dinkins, Pres.	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma.	59	28	28	103	23	1500	103	23	1500	103	23	1500	103	23	1500	103	23	1500	
Mr. H. Wiggin.	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mr. W. Knight.	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss Ruth Haldeman.	Alabama Bapt. Col. Univ., Selma.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
MISSISSIPPI.																				
Mr. G. Barrett, Pres.	Jackson College.	59	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss M. Barrett.	Jackson College.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss P. Darr.	Jackson College.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss J. Everett.	Jackson College.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss J. Grady.	Jackson College.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mr. L. Brown.	Jackson College.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss E. McIntosh.	Jackson College.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss E. C. Hornsford.	Jackson College.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss A. Brown.	Jackson College.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	

* Teachers.

Axel Lindgren.....	39	3	134	48	273	400	6	3	49	71	70 68
I. G. Calder.....	52	3	120	52	58	210	3	10	84	130	120 47
E. B. Griffiths.....	52	3	114	52	325	610	10	3	105	404	266 90
G. H. Ward.....	52	1	112	197	312	210	8	14	60	287	136 17
Thomas Howland.....	28	1	67	35	504	60	400	1	75	212	116 90
C. V. Strelec.....	52	2	144	113	572	44	7158	1	6	74	38 11
OHIO.											
S. A. Nelson.....	30	1	70	29	147	.....	.....	2	77	73	78 31
Andrew G. Hall.....	13	1	51	40	85	.....	3	5	76	66	18
Henry Sellhorn.....	52	2	117	104	301	1	1222	8	74	64	219 33
P. P. Kruse.....	52	2	100	57	231	7	190	8	.....	270	376 49
William Argow.....	52	3	184	178	1159	12	2400	3	38	98	242 49
INDIANA.											
Schuyler C. Fulmer.....	52	1	43	45	273	34799	.....	.....	.....	455	10
Mrs. E. G. Wheeler.....	52	1	174	53	270	2	250	1	83	74	89 64
I. P. Brunner.....	52	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
ILLINOIS.											
J. B. Thomas, D.D.....	52	1	86	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Valentine Forkel.....	47	1	204	32	422	400	30	33	.....	133	59
August Pisor.....	13	1	40	16	179	1400	.....	.....	75	.....	.....
Albert Lindner.....	52	1	165	92	660	9	550	2	32	215	113
P. A. Friedricksen.....	13	3	40	25	190	1000	3	.....	.....	188	.....
H. C. Leuter.....	13	1	26	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	46	118	.....
Jacob Pfeiffer.....	52	2	123	65	278	2	.....	5	93	109	54 95
C. A. Homan.....	52	1	104	65	991	4	1500	9	2	89	.....
Jacob Fellman.....	52	1	128	59	1089	10	2185	25	37	158	246 04
Ernest Hallgren.....	52	1	245	81	234	.....	17	.....	122	120	440 04
L. J. Olson.....	52	1	184	109	400	55	3800	1	12	223	615 01
J. P. Klingberg.....	52	1	91	26	287	25	900	2	52	160	129
O. E. Nelson.....	52	1	173	65	425	.....	3	3	114	96	109 11
R. A. Arlander.....	52	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

† Report not due.

H. J. Finch.....	Riley.....	26	2	94	45	76	.....	6	95	.....	2	78	22 50
Adam Fawcett.....	Wausau.....	26	1	69	28	161	.....	2	115	.....	2	170	165
James Blake.....	North Greenfield.....	52	2	134	62	480	35 350	2	68	.....	2	133	181 19
A. L. Holden.....	Minocqua.....	26	2	58	17	367	2 300	.....	13	.....	1	45	44
J. C. Johnson.....	Thorp.....	26	1	51	48	144	.....	.....	36	.....	1	50	17 20
J. F. Crawford.....	Beaver Dam.....	26	.....	65	55	118	8 72 11	7	136	.....	1	190	445 89
C. F. Vreeland.....	Marinette.....	26	3	99	57	286	.....	2	228	.....	3	370	76 05
Cyrus Sullivan.....	Rusk.....	52	4	197	63	198	.....	3	21	.....	3	102	52 00
C. A. Ehrhardt.....	New Richmond.....	26	1	65	29	201	.....	1	77	.....	1	45	68 19
Frank Cooksley.....	Eau Claire.....	56	2	189	93	830	.....	5	134	.....	2	221	197 34
H. D. Morwood.....	Mt. Ida.....	30	2	71	50	174	.....	2	100	.....	2	66	148 63
E. C. Jenkins.....	Sheboygan.....	13	2	52	20	161	.....	2	145	.....	2	216	37 21
C. H. Smith.....	Tomah.....	26	1	51	25	209	.....	8	113	.....	1	70	80 13
F. W. Arndt.....	Connersville.....	19	3	49	6	325	.....	.....	25	.....	1	44	1 34
Ole Ellison.....	Swedes, General Missionary.....	52	.....	245	63	393	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61 08
F. O. Carlson.....	Swedes, District Missionary.....	52	.....	225	38	747	12 648	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	212 50
C. P. Olson.....	Danes and Norwegians, District Missionary.....	52	.....	280	30	930	15 1404	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	98 49
Detlof Lofstrom.....	Swedes, Grantsburg and Wood River.....	26	3	85	33	80	.....	6	131	.....	3	108	147 31
Detlof Lofstrom.....	Swedes, Lake Nebagamin.....	22	2	61	19	62	.....	4	55	.....	2	71	28 55
Theodore Hansen.....	Swedes, Antigo.....	52	2	166	52	376	.....	4	127	.....	2	111	141 53
Magnus Johnson.....	Swedes, Ashland.....	26	3	122	39	149	.....	6	125	.....	1	80	270 14
M. C. Jensen.....	Danes, Eureka.....	52	3	177	76	384	13 243	7	101	.....	1	98	165 65
Conrad Knudson.....	Swedes, Columbus.....	52	2	108	59	329	.....	2	29	.....	1	35	90 75
Elias Knudson.....	Norwegians, Halfway Creek.....	45	1	164	18	327	.....	2	35	.....	1	28	70 75
T. O. Wold.....	Scandinavians, Woodville and Baldwin.....	26	4	151	57	425	4 4000	4	45	.....	2	98	128 44
J. B. Sundt.....	Scandinavians, La Crosse.....	39	2	159	36	240	24	1	90	.....	1	71	30 25
N. K. Larson.....	Norwegians, Blair.....	26	3	121	51	225	.....	50	14	.....	.....	.....	8 75
O. C. Widen.....	Swedes, Ft. Salem Ch., Garfield.....	52	15	219	52	276	12 3438	8	65	.....	2	88	334 82
P. E. Swanson.....	Swedes, Wood Lake.....	13	3	34	13	39	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. L. Tilgner.....	Germans, Wausau.....	36	3	95	43	204	.....	7	127	.....	1	137	66 30
Herman Schroeder.....	Germans, District Missionary.....	26	.....	99	41	275	2 2400	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	35
C. F. Savage.....	Cumberland.....	10	2	28	8	20	.....	.....	59	.....	2	80	9 65
C. F. Vreeland.....	Marinette.....	17	2	51	16	197	.....	3	235	.....	2	139	49 50
J. A. Johnson.....	Glenwood.....	13	.....	30	8	24	.....	.....	9	.....	1	15	11
E. G. Hamley.....	Ripon.....	13	2	46	20	150	6 70	.....	78	.....	2	126	68
W. H. Jones.....	Burlington.....	13	.....	29	6	112	.....	.....	81	.....	1	37	18 05
J. E. Calvin.....	Meeme.....	13	.....	27	.....	58	.....	1	27	.....	1	27	25 46
A. J. Linde.....	Wood Lake.....	17	3	55	.....	41	.....	.....	20	.....	1	32	8
O. S. Jacobson.....	Swedes, Rice Lake.....	17	9	31	10	65	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 50
I. P. Olberg.....	Dorchester.....	19	3	55	15	175	.....	1	12	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. H. Granstrom.....	Lund.....	17	.....	67	20	171	.....	250	23	.....	.....	.....	6 10

John Goins.....	Colored, Second Church, Jefferson City.....	13	1	30	20	130	9	1	143	1	135	25 00
W. H. Mueller.....	Germana, Alma.....	52	3	134	33	235	18	5	55	1	67	261 90
•Enos L. Scruggs, D.D.....	Western College, Macon.....	52				6						
•E. H. Borden.....	Western College, Macon.....	35		2		3	3					
•Miss M. F. Lewis.....	Western College, Macon.....	35				3						
INDIAN TERRITORY.												
Cortez Stubblefield.....	General Missionary.....	26		150	74	110	63					249 09
J. S. Murrow.....	General Missionary, Indians.....	52		107	157	835	1	2		1		
Cortez Stubblefield.....	District Missionary, North.....	26		140	12	33						259 31
A. G. Washburn.....	District Missionary, South.....	26		55	5	91						270 46
Daniel Rogers.....	District Missionary.....	22		56	26	58	4	7				34 77
A. L. Lacie.....	Cherokee Indians.....	52		206	123	806	21	27		1		129 78
I. S. Wright.....	Choctaw Indians.....	12		48	17	11	2					1 10
J. P. Thompson.....	Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians.....	39	7	105	59	75	6	4		2	40	5 00
Daniel Bird.....	Cherokee Indians.....	26	8	72	26	36	1	1				
Moses Ridge.....	Cherokee Indians.....	13	7	32		5						
Johnson Spade.....	Cherokees, Going Snake District.....	52	11	153	69	216	21	21	189	1	360	12 75
B. O. Field.....	Cherokees, Long Prairie.....	26	10	69	24	37	10	1	322	1	138	10 00
B. O. Field.....	Cherokees, Pineville.....	26	9	84	9	46	2		122		40	5 26
M. O. Field.....	Cherokees, Round Spring.....	39	9	136	47	13	13	8	312	3	129	40 26
William Bird.....	Cherokees, Fourteen Mile Creek and vicinity.....	52	7	179	86	193	10	1	237	2	47	5 10
J. G. Brendel.....	Cherokees, Stilwell, Old Baptist Mission, and Westville.....	26	4	100	24	118	30	9	109		212	01 48
J. G. Brendel.....	Stilwell.....	26	2	62	26	129	8	16	124		149	80 95
A. J. Essex.....	Delaware, Chelsea and Alluwe.....	40	3	111	3	743	3	14	71		53	31 00
Humphrey Colbert.....	Chickasaw Indians.....	13		24	10	28	7					5 00
P. F. Dooley.....	Arkansas Valley Association.....	26	9	117	30	387	22	38		1	68	27 00
J. B. Barnes.....	Wilburton.....	26	2	82	28	47		8	75		184	41 50
G. W. Hall.....	Colored, District Missionary.....	13		28	12	32		9				
F. I. Gordon.....	Colored, District Missionary.....	13		80	10	40						10 00
W. M. Hays.....	Salisaw.....	26	4	210	65	60	200	52	370	3	285	74 26
M. O. Keller.....	Muskogee.....	13	2	53	13	100	15	1	151		125	22 50
J. W. Tanner.....	Muskogee.....	22	1	62	22	86	10	7	140		270	322 41
T. F. Coe.....	Ryan.....	26	2	92	17	100		17	98		108	90 45
T. F. Coe.....	Ryan and Comanche.....	4	1	17	7	38		3	45			32 45
T. F. Coe.....	Comanche.....	22	1	23	10	71		3	46			39 08
John Crain.....	Antlers.....	52	4	156	34	149		19	81		52	62 10
Robert Owen.....	Tulsa.....	13	2	39	20	56	9		97		79	13 22
I. B. Rounds.....	Caney Valley Church, Bartlesville.....	26	3	74	26	101	3		98	1	80	4 00
S. A. Evans.....	Tahlequah.....	39	4	110	37	118	20	22	125		154	138 51
J. L. Keller.....	Wynnewood.....	13	2	32	13	42		8	131		81	40 65

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John Goins.....	Colored, Second Church, Jefferson City.....	13	1	30	20	130	2	1	143	1	135	25 00
W. H. Mueller.....	Germans, Alma.....	52	3	134	33	235	.....	18	5	55	.....	1	.....	67	261 90
•Enos L. Scruggs, D.D..	Western College, Macon.....	52	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
•E. H. Borden.....	Western College, Macon.....	35	.....	2	.....	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
•Miss M. F. Lewis.....	Western College, Macon.....	35	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
INDIAN TERRITORY.															
Cortez Stubblefield.....	General Missionary.....	26	.....	150	74	110	.....	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	249 09
J. S. Murrow.....	General Missionary, Indians.....	52	.....	107	157	835	36	13260	1	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....
Cortez Stubblefield.....	District Missionary, North.....	26	.....	140	12	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	259 31
A. G. Washburn.....	District Missionary, South.....	26	.....	55	5	91	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	270 46
Daniel Rogers.....	District Missionary.....	22	.....	56	26	58	26	.....	4	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	34 77
A. L. Lacie.....	Cherokee Indians.....	52	.....	206	123	806	35	.....	21	27	.....	1	.....	.....	129 78
I. S. Wright.....	Choctaw Indians.....	12	.....	48	17	11	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 10
J. P. Thompson.....	Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians..	39	7	105	59	75	7	666	6	4	.....	.....	2	40	5 00
Daniel Bird.....	Cherokee Indians.....	26	8	72	26	36	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Moses Ridge.....	Cherokee Indians.....	13	7	32	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnson Spade.....	Cherokees, Going Snake District..	52	11	153	69	216	4	.....	21	21	189	1	8	360	12 75
B. O. Field.....	Cherokees, Long Prairie.....	26	10	69	24	37	.....	.....	10	1	322	1	4	138	10 00
B. O. Field.....	Cherokees, Pineville.....	26	9	84	9	46	.....	.....	2	.....	122	.....	1	40	5 26
M. O. Field.....	Cherokees, Round Spring.....	39	9	136	47	13	.....	.....	13	8	312	.....	3	129	40 26
William Bird.....	Cherokees, Fourteen Mile Creek and vicinity.....	52	7	179	86	193	.....	.....	10	1	237	.....	2	47	5 10
J. G. Brendel.....	Cherokees, Stilwell, Old Baptist Mission, and Westville.....	26	4	100	24	118	.....	231	30	9	109	.....	3	212	91 48
J. G. Brendel.....	Stilwell.....	26	2	62	26	129	.....	.....	8	16	124	.....	2	149	80 95
A. J. Essex.....	Delaware, Chelsea and Alluwe.....	40	3	111	3	743	.....	.....	3	14	71	.....	1	53	31 00
Humphrey Colbert.....	Chickasaw Indians.....	13	.....	24	10	28	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 60
P. F. Dooley.....	Arkansas Valley Association.....	26	9	117	30	387	22	3040	2	38	.....	1	2	68	27 00
J. B. Barnes.....	Wilburton.....	26	2	82	28	47	.....	.....	4	8	75	.....	1	184	41 50
G. W. Hall.....	Colored, District Missionary.....	13	.....	28	12	32	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
F. I. Gordon.....	Colored, District Missionary.....	13	.....	20	10	40	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 00
W. M. Hays.....	Sallisaw.....	26	4	210	65	60	.....	200	135	52	370	1	3	285	74 26
M. O. Keller.....	Muskogee.....	13	2	53	13	100	15	.....	13	1	151	.....	1	125	22 50
J. W. Tanner.....	Muskogee.....	22	1	62	22	86	10	50	.....	7	140	.....	3	270	322 41
T. F. Coe.....	Ryan.....	26	2	92	17	100	.....	.....	17	22	98	.....	1	108	90 45
T. F. Coe.....	Ryan and Comanche.....	4	1	17	7	38	.....	.....	.....	3	45	.....	.....	.....	32 45
T. F. Coe.....	Comanche.....	22	1	23	10	71	.....	.....	.....	3	46	.....	.....	.....	39 08
John Crain.....	Antlers.....	52	4	156	34	149	.....	.....	13	19	81	.....	2	52	62 10
Robert Owen.....	Tulsa.....	13	2	39	20	56	9	100	10	.....	97	.....	1	79	13 22
I. B. Rounds.....	Caney Valley Church, Bartlesville.	26	3	74	26	101	3	454	4	.....	98	1	1	80	4 00
S. A. Evans.....	Tahlequah.....	39	4	110	37	118	20	500	15	22	125	2	158	138 51
J. L. Keller.....	Wynnewood.....	13	2	32	13	42	8	131	1	81	40 65

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J. L. Keller	Paul's Valley	26	3	97	26	160	5	900	13	27	80	1	1	109	43	50	43
J. H. Reeves	Paul's Valley	26	3	64	22	431	5	900	13	27	77	1	1	55	51	61	51
John Mare, Jr.	Chickasha	6	1	27	18	30	1	900	13	27	93	1	1	77	116	145	15
E. L. Comptre	Chickasha	26	1	27	18	105	1	900	13	27	93	1	1	77	116	145	15
W. G. Patterson	Vinita	52	2	178	104	650	46	900	13	27	104	1	1	85	305	60	65
W. J. Patterson	Poteau and Water	52	2	42	8	57	1	900	13	27	104	1	1	73	81	65	65
J. N. Edwards	South McAlester	52	2	160	92	523	25	9000	20	7	104	1	1	132	175	85	85
E. A. Shankle	Wagoner	13	1	23	18	88	1	9000	20	7	104	1	1	96	9	40	40
D. J. Weddle	Niwata	13	1	23	18	88	1	9000	20	7	104	1	1	96	9	40	40
J. M. Wiley	Tamaha	52	3	122	43	180	21	900	17	8	51	1	1	152	115	75	75
R. F. Cross	Star and vicinity	52	3	122	43	180	21	900	17	8	51	1	1	152	115	75	75
R. L. Townley	Canadian Association	52	3	128	50	94	32	1424	10	10	44	1	1	209	131	11	00
I. C. Atchley	Alton	52	1	128	50	94	32	1424	10	10	44	1	1	209	131	11	00
J. H. McKeehan	Miami	26	1	87	71	216	1	300	30	30	180	1	1	277	160	00	93
J. M. Green	Pickens County	13	4	50	17	44	1	300	5	all	all	1	1	208	98	00	00
J. W. Tennison	Earl	13	4	50	17	44	1	300	5	all	all	1	1	208	98	00	00
R. A. Tneil	Westville	26	3	69	32	90	1	100	3	9	15	1	1	174	9	18	28
W. A. Treadwell	Refuge	52	4	155	45	875	22	1000	22	26	77	1	1	160	90	35	35
C. H. Carleton	Pauli and Fellowship	26	5	101	16	40	1	2183	0	22	98	1	1	45	31	43	43
C. A. de Louch	Varnaby	26	5	88	8	391	1	2183	0	22	98	1	1	45	31	43	43
J. Edmondson	Skullyville County	26	1	74	26	82	1	600	5	9	105	1	1	117	47	35	35
E. A. Wesson	Marietta	26	1	47	14	168	1	600	5	9	105	1	1	117	47	35	35
J. M. Foster	Zion Association	26	3	95	23	170	10	600	10	7	100	1	1	131	100	00	00
G. W. Hall	Calvary Ch., Berwyn	26	4	25	10	43	1	600	10	7	100	1	1	131	100	00	00
Charles Henderson	Canadian	26	4	25	10	43	1	600	10	7	100	1	1	131	100	00	00
W. H. Kuykendall	Holdenville	26	3	59	11	35	1	600	10	7	100	1	1	131	100	00	00
J. H. York	McAlister	26	1	100	34	330	1	300	3	13	39	1	1	59	33	30	30
J. B. Acorn	Peaceful Traveler Ch., Cherokee Nation	26	1	66	33	83	1	300	1	9	34	1	1	77	31	92	92
T. J. Ballard	Poteau	26	1	66	33	83	1	300	1	9	34	1	1	77	31	92	92
J. W. Miller	Natural Arch, Cherokee Nation	26	1	66	33	83	1	300	1	9	34	1	1	77	31	92	92
J. M. Newman	Claremore	26	1	113	35	375	1	900	1	53	76	1	1	69	50	41	41
L. F. Patterson	Cherokee Prairie and vicinity	26	4	91	29	138	1	900	1	9	99	1	1	69	50	41	41
L. W. Wright	Howe	26	1	61	45	125	1	1400	1	5	167	1	1	55	33	30	30

1 No report received.

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES, TEXAS, ETC.	WORKS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND DISTRICTS.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	ADDED TO CHURCH BY BAPTISM, LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	LUNGE BUDGETS.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS ORGANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.
I. A. Scott	Tecumseh	52	239	88	790	21	1975	65	31	161	100	1	173	149 70	
Scott Anderson	El Reno	52	107	40	300	6	.....	9	31	75	100	1	101	50 30
H. S. Otis	Pond Creek and vicinity	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
R. J. Morgan	Mangum and vicinity	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
H. N. King	Salliswater	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
F. F. Butler	Salliswater	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
H. J. Pyle	Salliswater	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
H. J. Jones	Glass Mountain Association	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
H. J. Cook	Glass Mountain Association	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
M. Setzer	Grant and vicinity	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
W. Rankin	Grant and vicinity	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
W. Rankin	Ingalls and vicinity	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
N. Hoover	Ingalls and vicinity	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
G. L. Hale	Hennessey	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
W. H. Driver	Blackwell	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
E. Dunham	Pawnee County Association	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
N. M. Munger	Enid	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
A. E. Lewis	Enid	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
F. J. Pyle	Edmond	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
W. Boynton	Kingfisher and Okarche	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
W. J. McCollum	Norman	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
W. J. McCollum	Pawnee	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
W. J. McCollum	Shawnee	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
W. J. McCollum	Yukon	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
H. H. Clouse	Kiowa, Rainy Mountain	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
G. W. Hicks	Kiowa, Elk Creek and vicinity	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
Philip Cook	Kiowa, Watonga and vicinity	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
Robert Hamilton	Cheyenne, Kingfisher and vicinity	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
E. C. Deyo	Cheyenne, Kingfisher and vicinity	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
F. L. King	Kiowa and Comanches	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
John Ingram	Arapahoe	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
John Ingram	District Missionary	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
D. Noble Crane	Idaho, District Missionary	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
D. Noble Crane	Ladd, Indiana, Annapolis	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
W. Solomon	Greer County Association	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30
H. H. Hayward	Salt Fork Valley Association	52	107	40	300	6	.....	1	85	29	100	1	101	50 30

NAME OF MISSIONARY.	FIELD OF LABOR.	WORKS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OFF.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYER AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	PAIEMENTS OR PERSONS RECEIVED.	MINISTERS OF THE GOSPEL.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	ADDED TO CHURCH BY BAPTISM.	BY LETTERS OR OTHERWISE.	MEMBERS OF CHURCH.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CHURCH MEMBERS.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS ORGANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	DAY-SCHOOLS.	REVOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS.
W. S. Wilson.	Wilcoxville and Lebanon.	43	4	39	18	26	18	50	3	3	3	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
J. W. Attebury.	Albany.	52	1	105	35	105	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
R. F. Woods.	Albany.	47	3	115	35	115	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
B. F. Feltman.	Grand Church, Quab.	30	4	146	35	146	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
G. A. Smith.	Arnold.	30	4	72	35	72	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
E. M. O'Connell.	Valparaiso.	30	4	72	35	72	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
W. J. McGowan.	Watkins.	30	4	72	35	72	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
J. H. Clay.	Hartington.	30	4	72	35	72	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
W. H. Eaton.	Norfolk.	30	4	72	35	72	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
H. E. Ryder.	Norfolk.	30	4	72	35	72	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
A. H. Shattuck.	Cairo.	30	4	72	35	72	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Arne Panjeet.	Crawford.	30	4	72	35	72	35	35	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
T. M. Shanabell.	General Missionary.	52	1	121	41	121	41	41	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Andrew Swartz.	Scandinavians, General Missionary.	52	1	121	41	121	41	41	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Olef Lind.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
O. M. Kehl.	Norwegians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
A. C. Nash.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
C. H. Ehlert.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
S. A. Holt.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Adolph Paulson.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
T. O. Wold.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
H. S. Wold.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
H. S. Wold.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Christ Larsen.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Nit. Tschern.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Eller Loken.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Bernie Jacobson.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
C. H. Kahl.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
C. H. Kahl.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
George Hornwhite, Jr.	Scandinavians, Lilly.	48	3	101	34	101	34	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3

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Names of Mission- aries, Teachers, &c.	Fields of Labor.	Weeks of Lab. M.	Churches and Un- ionists, &c.	Sermons Preach'd.	Prayer and Other Meetings Held.	Families or Persons Religiously Visited.	Bibles and Testa- ments Distributed.	Pages of Tracts Distrib'd.	By Baptism. Experience or Letter to Church.	Number of Church Members.	Churches Organized.	Church Officers	Number of Sunday Schools.	Sunday-Schools Un- categorized.	Attendance at Sun- day-Schools.	Benevolence Contri- butions.	
Paul Johnson.....	Sweden, Fargo.....	43	2	115	84	310	435	6	1005	12	5	1	1	1	1	129	60
Lewis Rasmusson.....	Scandinavia, Valley City.....	57	4	188	55	435	6	1005	9	25	1	1	1	1	1	76	71
H. A. Solberg.....	Scandinavia, Coopersville.....	58	3	110	55	814	3	348	7	91	1	1	1	1	1	10	60
I. A. H. Johnson.....	Scandinavia, Grand Forks.....	59	2	124	65	924	3	348	7	91	1	1	1	1	1	10	60
Samuel Kenboldson.....	Scandinavia, Hillside.....	43	1	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
J. O. Gustafson.....	Scandinavia, Edinburgh.....	13	6	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
August Hennrich.....	Scandinavia, Ansonia.....	13	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
John Reichert.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	58	1	138	50	374	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
Robert Fecht.....	Scandinavia, Casselminn.....	58	6	140	50	374	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
Edward Wolf.....	Scandinavia, Casselminn.....	59	5	140	50	374	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
Emil Muller.....	Scandinavia, Antelope.....	52	4	153	51	413	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
G. C. T. Schmitz.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	13	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
Samuel Haendel.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	13	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
R. T. Gossage.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	13	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
L. M. Solberg.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	26	6	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
F. H. Huns.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	35	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
Alex Douglas.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	44	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
S. T. Foster.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	44	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
Samuel Van Tassel.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	59	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
I. M. Bailey.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	13	2	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
W. H. Hardy.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	13	2	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
T. H. Brown.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	59	4	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
A. F. N. Brown.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	59	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
I. R. Hall.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	12	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
W. K. Sherwin.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	58	2	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
W. K. Mitchell.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	13	1	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
H. M. Simpson.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	60	3	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60
Samuel Hatzel.....	Scandinavia, District Missionary.....	56	1	104	38	364	3	315	3	31	1	1	1	1	1	107	60

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MONTANA.

L. G. Clark	General Missionary, Montana South	52	94	357	62000	89	7	15	66	2	4	190	40
I. W. Falls	Idaho, Utah and Wyoming	52	150	133	300	89	7	15	66	2	4	567	52
P. J. Kalispell	Kalispell	52	104	47	240	218	3	10	107	2	1	138	131
P. J. Salmon	Salmon	52	53	28	227	218	3	10	107	2	1	91	176
M. E. Bailey	Hamilton, Stevensville, and vicinity	26	53	28	227	218	3	10	107	2	1	91	176
W. R. Rickman	Corvallis, Hamilton, and Stevensville	28	86	18	500	10	8	6	143	2	1	82	84
W. M. Lewis	Enat Gallatin and vicinity	52	189	47	125	10	10	6	41	2	1	70	127
S. R. Robinson	Livingston	52	16	8	125	10	10	6	41	2	1	70	127
T. J. Brock	Livingston	39	16	8	125	10	10	6	41	2	1	70	127
L. Lewis	Holt	48	92	65	2288	5	13	3	56	1	1	77	70
M. L. Rickman	Bozeman	52	120	45	176	2656	2	13	56	1	1	77	70
William Remington	Hillman	52	158	45	658	300	20	13	102	1	1	116	51
C. G. Scott	Swedes, Great Falls	52	120	77	307	6	200	13	102	1	1	177	449
C. K. Bidwell, Jr.	Swedes, Great Falls	52	170	184	2081	1	578	1	41	1	1	55	159
F. A. Ayar	Great Falls	26	40	10	71	1	1	5	31	1	1	65	263
L. S. Cedarberg	Swedes, Anaconda and vicinity	17	66	17	145	3	100	1	36	1	1	39	50
W. H. Seizer	Anaconda	26	52	26	450	5	2400	1	47	1	1	40	34
H. P. Cope	Dillon and vicinity	52	123	62	732	59	100	1	63	1	1	91	134
Mrs. J. Whitmore	Chinese, Mission School, Butte	52	90	90	205	1	257	1	63	1	1	242	267

WYOMING.

S. C. Davis	Cheyenne	52	113	105	8421	21	245	5	9	184	1	322	166
A. H. Dent	Sheridan	26	52	10	61	106	1	1	106	1	1	53	50
W. A. Petoldt	Sheridan	26	80	13	607	34	96	13	106	1	1	66	13
H. W. Nee	Laramie	52	111	119	460	1	1	3	88	1	1	178	191
E. S. Rogers	Evansville	26	61	23	465	13	305	2	30	1	1	66	51
R. E. Brown	Evansville	17	43	24	122	1	1	2	26	1	1	43	26
J. L. Limes	Big Horn Basin	52	104	17	676	34	3360	1	51	1	1	204	113

COLORADO

John W. Crooks	General Missionary, Colorado and New Mexico	26	35	95	170	1	500	1	1	1	1	693	00
John W. Crooks	General Missionary, Colorado	26	15	78	152	280	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Thomas Stevenson	General Missionary, Colorado	11	36	23	30	6	30	1	68	1	1	72	16
T. C. Butts	La Veta	11	35	13	200	6	200	1	52	1	1	56	16
S. W. Richards	Holyoke	26	73	58	205	1	2	2	52	1	1	56	16
E. F. Perry	Pikesdale	0	18	10	52	1	1	1	52	1	1	50	16
G. W. P. Dixon	Pikesdale	15	22	16	127	2	435	1	61	1	1	177	203
C. W. Dixon	Mancos	52	72	16	127	2	435	1	61	1	1	177	203
I. A. Haycraft	Mr. Olive Ch. Colorado Springs	26	161	86	127	1	4000	5	9	63	1	177	203
D. S. McCluskey	Othe and vicinity	26	76	66	200	2	1	13	69	1	1	160	20

* Teacher.

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NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, ETC.	FIELDS OF LABOR	CHURCHES AND O- STATIONS ST. PIERRE	SERMONS PREACHED	PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED	BIBLES AND TESTA- MENTS DISTRIBUTED	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED	BY BAPTISM	BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE	ADDED TO CHURCH	CHURCHES ORGANIZED		LITURGICAL OFFICES	NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOL CHURCH	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY- SCHOOL	BENEFICIAL CONTRIBUTIONS
											Weeks of Labor	Members				
C. N. Wester	Longmont	52	113	102	570	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
E. S. Knapp	San Animas	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
A. H. Law	Montrose	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
Duncan Lamont	Mt. Olivet Church, Denver	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
G. L. Boroghs	Monte Vista	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
G. W. Griffin	Goldfield	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
J. M. P. Martin	Grand Junction	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
O. P. Bishop	Fowler	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
Arthur Willett	Florence	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
W. B. Pope	Salida	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
David Reddick	North Side Church, Denver	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
A. J. Morris	Broadway Church, Denver	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
F. A. Eubank	Lamar	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
F. C. Drew	Sugarloaf	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
A. B. Carson	Method Church, Denver	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
A. J. Emerson	Fountain	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
E. O. Butler	Mosca, Hooper and Centerville	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
J. H. Miller	Gunnison	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
H. C. Abbott	North Fork Ch., Huerfano	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
H. C. Abbott	Eaton	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
J. C. Green	Telluride	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
R. S. Walker	Rocky Ford	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
D. K. Hill	Pagosa Springs	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
T. W. Tate	Holyoke	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
F. E. Smith	Platteau Valley	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
J. S. Harvey	La Platte	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
W. E. Powell	Colorado City	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
W. K. Hardy	Colored, Eighth St. Church, Pueblo	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
Asel Tjelmund	Swedes, First Church, Denver	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
W. E. Gladden	Colored, St. John's Church, Colo- rado Springs	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
Christian Ambrose	German, Monte Vista and vicinity	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10
Christian Ambrose	German, Denver	52	108	51	108	2	2978	30	5	10	96	10	10	10	10	10

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Colored, Bath Eden Ch., Oakland.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100
Colored, Second Ch., Fresno.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100
Chinese, San Francisco	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100
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Chinese, San Francisco	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77																							

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NAMES OF MISSIONARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELDS OF LABOR	WEEKS OF LABOR	CHURCHES AND OUTSTATIONS SUPPLIED	SERMONS PREACHED	PRAYER AND VISITING MEETINGS HELD	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED	BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS DISTRIBUTED	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED	ADDED TO CHURCH BY BAPTISM	BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS	CHURCHES ORGANIZED	LUNGEON MEMBERS	NUMBER OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS	SUNDAY SCHOOLS ORGANIZED	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY SCHOOLS	REVOLVING COUNTERS	BUTTONS
WASHINGTON																		
A. M. Allen...	General Missionary, East, and Northern Idaho	52	1	104	68	274	1000	34	1	1	71	1	1	1	1	2	223	427 54
C. A. Hoberg...	Swedes, Fort St. Spokane	52	3	171	67	247	80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	489 57
Miss F. J. Allen...	Chinese Mission, Spokane	52	...	101	...	106	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. S. Black...	Pomeroy	52	2	118	50	281	...	...	...	...	86	...	...	...	...	...	...	185 82
A. J. Gage...	Wilbur and Weston	26	2	78	26	77	200	6	7	4	93	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. H. Rutherford...	Wilbur and Sherman	22	2	59	22	173	...	...	...	...	78	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. M. Grant...	Tekoa	43	2	116	36	577	...	...	...	...	49	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
C. R. G. Poole...	Pullman	8	1	28	18	190	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
John Smithers...	Tekoa	8	1	19	8	64	...	...	...	...	44	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
David Smith...	Pullman	4	1	17	4	33	...	...	...	...	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arthur Royse...	Waterloo	4	1	10	4	25	...	...	...	...	31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. H. Pace...	Garfield	26	1	45	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
R. A. Thomson...	North Yakima	26	2	55	40	136	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
A. H. Lyons...	North Yakima	13	1	30	11	197	...	...	...	...	93	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
A. H. Lyons...	Cle Elum	13	2	26	13	30	...	...	...	...	91	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
A. H. Lyons...	Cle Elum and Roodyn	13	2	26	13	30	...	...	...	...	91	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
G. W. Black...	Roodyn and Cle Elum	13	3	44	10	180	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. W. D. Kirkendall...	Colville	22	2	63	23	147	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. W. D. Kirkendall...	Latah and Farmington	22	2	63	23	147	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
T. J. Collins...	Davenport	52	2	174	59	383	...	...	...	...	280	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
G. R. Schleich...	Rep. Hills	37	3	12	15	23	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. G. Barman...	Wenatchee	37	3	88	48	244	...	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
S. M. McCarter...	Spokane and Enort	26	1	53	26	170	...	...	...	...	47	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
S. W. Gage...	Paloise	26	1	53	26	170	...	...	...	...	47	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. A. McCall...	Edenburgh	26	1	53	26	170	...	...	...	...	47	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. F. Pettibone...	Edenburgh	26	1	53	26	170	...	...	...	...	47	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. F. Randall...	General Missionary, West	52	...	143	41	490	...	...	...	...	76	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paul H. Inman...	Swedes, District Missionary	52	...	143	41	490	...	...	...	...	76	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Andrew Johnson...	Swedes, Pentecost and Cedarhoove	52	...	143	41	490	...	...	...	...	76	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

*Teacher

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELDS OF LABOUR.	WEEKS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OTHERS.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	BY BAPTISM. By LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	LUNcheon EDUCATED. LUNcheon EDUCATED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS ORGANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	BENEFICIENT CONTRIBUTIONS.	
MANITOBA.																	
William Schunk	Germans, Winnipeg	52	4	106	61	278	47	3750	2	17	162	.....	.....	.....	.....	125	411 04
Jacob Hermann	Germans, Morden & Pimlico	52	4	168	77	300	.....	1800	2	.....	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	112 00
ALBERTA.																	
Abraham Hager	Germans, Otaakwan	52	5	128	63	597	33	.....	.....	22	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	76	105 56
ASSINABOIA.																	
E. F. Perschke	Germans, Edenwald and Wolseley	35	4	69	36	235	..	1600	8	1	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	19 97
John Hager	Germans, Josephsburg	60	..	129	103	530	80	905	54	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	640	103 00
ALASKA.																	
I. C. Jordan	Skaguay	23	1	26	26	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90 00
G. S. Clemmeyer	Skaguay	52	2	91	38	630	.....	.....	.....	6	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
MEXICO.																	
W. H. Sloan	City of Mexico.	52	4	155	26	126	26	6752	19	.....	141	.....	.....	.....	.....	151	.....
Ernesto Barcia	Assistant, City of Mexico.	52	2	231	95	240	.....	4050	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39	.....
J. F. Kimball	Nuevo Laredo and vicinity	52	2	126	53	288	8	15000	4	2	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	39	45 81
R. C. Perez	Assist., Nuevo Laredo and vicinity	43	..	85	30	663	6	8853	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	50 00
T. M. Westrup	Monterrey	52	10	128	49	433	17	5000	4	3	83	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	84 57
H. T. Westrup	Monterrey	43	5	128	33	371	120	6344	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31	11 40
Fernando Uriguen	Puebla	52	1	126	49	266	31	29000	12	.....	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	92	.....
A. R. Cavazos	San Luis Potosi	52	1	126	49	266	31	29000	12	.....	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	92	.....
Refugio Garza	Santa Rosa	52	1	126	49	266	31	29000	12	.....	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	92	.....
M. A. Villarreal	San Blas	52	1	126	49	266	31	29000	12	.....	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	92	.....
M. A. Villarreal	San Blas	52	1	126	49	266	31	29000	12	.....	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	92	.....
D. A. Wilson	Guadalupe	39	1	124	40	151	1	128	.....	.....	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	17 10
Manuel Zavala	Toluca	39	1	124	40	151	1	128	.....	.....	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	17 10
Alexander Trevino	Monterrey	52	3	178	50	890	13	10000	12	11	215	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	822 08

SUMMARY

OF STATES, RECEIPTS, MISSIONARIES, LABORS AND RESULTS.

STATES, ETC.	CONTRIBUTIONS AND LEGALITIES IN 1900.	No. OF MISSIONARIES.	Weeks of Labor.	CHURCHES AND OUT-STATIONS SUPPLIED.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYER-MEETINGS ATTENDED.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	SCRIPTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	ADDED TO CHURCH.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	(HOMES) EDIFICES ERECTED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.	REMOVING AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.
Maine	\$1,088	1	152	1	104	59	594	35	1,587	9	142	1	1	71	71	\$1,088
New Hampshire	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Vermont	2,585	12	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,585
Massachusetts	1,589	14	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	1,589
Rhode Island	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Connecticut	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
New York	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
New Jersey	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Pennsylvania	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Delaware	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
District of Columbia	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Virginia	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
West Virginia	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Kentucky	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Tennessee	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
North Carolina	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
South Carolina	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Georgia	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Florida	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Alabama	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Mississippi	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Louisiana	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Arkansas	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Texas	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Ohio	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Michigan	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Indiana	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Illinois	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Wisconsin	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746
Minnesota	2,746	10	152	7	453	123	1,306	35	1,597	5	142	1	1	71	71	2,746

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	10,198	80	924	41	2,752	927	6,840	30	23,443	128	121	1,038	3	8	1,037	81
Iowa.....	3,926	14	378	4	503	160	783	30	318	13	40	3,880	10	10	1,037	81
Missouri.....	1,151	10	2,502	307	5,768	2,245	11,877	340	39,038	630	731	3,871	8	8	1,037	81
Indian Territory.....	773	21	1,744	355	6,247	1,664	12,676	470	32,251	417	695	3,871	8	8	1,037	81
Oklahoma Ter.....	5,749	01	2,131	90	4,504	1,806	14,328	155	48,803	268	384	4,380	0	0	1,037	81
Kansas.....	4,447	23	2,560	117	5,202	2,355	11,770	202	30,459	104	131	3,871	4	3	1,037	81
Nebraska.....	1,815	86	1,362	87	3,044	2,600	9,183	195	30,459	258	177	3,871	5	5	1,037	81
South Dakota.....	993	21	1,312	33	2,687	980	5,421	77	55,970	55	94	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
North Dakota.....	330	21	689	33	2,687	980	5,421	77	55,970	55	94	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Montana.....	149	21	281	14	504	340	3,237	108	16,224	102	176	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Wyoming.....	2,858	14	1,271	71	3,007	1,630	10,804	138	25,790	105	176	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Colorado.....	161	17	611	34	1,573	711	7,041	17	1,150	20	40	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
New Mexico.....	173	17	200	9	519	236	2,776	17	1,150	20	40	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Arizona.....	414	85	235	13	411	259	3,300	24	3,486	20	38	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Utah.....	10	00	53	13	411	259	3,300	24	3,486	20	38	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Nevada.....	650	08	53	13	411	259	3,300	24	3,486	20	38	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Idaho.....	6,002	57	2,620	30	1,550	676	4,622	34	10,867	106	140	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
California.....	3,957	01	1,277	08	5,824	2,640	11,060	83	36,722	220	428	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Oregon.....	4,918	88	2,311	170	5,828	3,212	17,976	65	15,107	205	403	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Washington.....	200	00	117	4	245	375	578	6	430	35	13	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Ontario.....	.....	.....	104	8	364	138	578	41	4,950	4	20	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Manitoba.....	.....	.....	52	5	128	63	507	38	.....	4	20	3,871	6	6	1,037	81
Alberta.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
British Columbia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Assiniboia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mexico.....	131	70	838	43	9,070	818	6,435	396	121,208	62	1	103	.....	.....	1,037	81
Alaska.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cuba.....	67	88	324	3	393	166	2,100	113	15,944	45	5	168	.....	.....	1,037	81
Porto Rico.....	8,682	25	315	8	755	326	2,540	393	5,880	176	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,037	81
Ger. Miss. Soc'y.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woman's Am.....	17,020	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woman's Mich.....	1,119	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woman's Ill.....	1,245	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woman's Calif.....	37	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTALS.....	\$550,818	65	42,672	1,954	97,739	47,104	294,566	7,696	2,655,794	4,905	5,517	59,005	81	46	1,037	81

MEMBERS FOR LIFE.

Total Number Constituted During the Year—69.

- Angel, Mrs Lillie, Elkhart, Ind., by Self.
 Babcock, Mrs. Frances J., Walnut Hill, Mass., by Second Church, Dedham.
 Baldwin, Dr A. E., Chicago, Ill., by Self.
 Bemis, May Bell, Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Bennett, Georgine S., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Bentzein, Rev. John, Spokane, Wash., by Grace Church.
 Booker, Joseph A., D.D., Little Rock, Ark., by Self.
 Bristow, Frederick, East Orange, N. J., by First Church of the Oranges.
 Burdett, Edward W., Clinton, Mass., by First Church.
 Campbell, Louis L., Northampton, Mass., by First Church.
 Carson, Orlando H., Rochester, Ind., by Self.
 Cavendish, L. F., Lookout, W. Va., by Self.
 Cavendish, Mrs. L. F., Lookout, W. Va., by L. F. Cavendish.
 Chamberlin, Carey W., Dorchester, Mass., by Dorchester Temple Church.
 Chamberlin, Harriet R., Dorchester, Mass., by Dorchester Temple Church.
 Clapp, Mary O., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Clapp, Theodora W., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Clay, Major C. C., Oakland, Cal., by Tenth Avenue Church.
 Dean, Ellen C., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Dean, Nellie C., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Duncan, Perry O., Franklin, Ind., by Self.
 Farnam, Mrs. Carrie S., Akron, Ohio, by First Church.
 French, Mattie E., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Frye, Sabina B., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Glynn, Mrs. Bessie, Tabor, Iowa, by Self.
 Goodwin, Mrs. Ella, Sheboygan, Wis., by Rev. A. F. Miller.
 Gould, Rev. George D., Rockville, Conn., by Self.
 Gould, Mrs. George D., Rockville, Conn., by Self.
 Gutterson, Herbert E., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Hammond, Ruth H., Wickford, R. I., by Self.
 Harris, Rev. J. C., Duquoin, Ill., by Self.
 Hillard, William A., Westerly, R. I., by Self.
 Homery, Mrs. B. J., Waterloo, Ia., by Self.
 Howard, Martha E., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Huddleston, Rev. G. W., Lookout, W. Va., by L. F. Cavendish.
 Lamkin, Carlotta M., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Lamkin, Harriet L., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Linscott, Annie M., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Linscott, Grace, Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Luther, Flora H., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 McClurg, Mrs. Edgar, Lookout, W. Va., by L. F. Cavendish.
 Marsh, Rev. T. Harley, Jacksonville, Ill., by Church.
 Miller, Rev. A. T., Waupaca, Wis., by Self.
 Moses, Cornelia F., Westbury, Mass., by Sunday School.
 Myers, Cortland, D.D., Brooklyn, N. Y., by Baptist Temple.
 Nicholas, Mrs. Mary E., Akron, Ohio, by First Church.
 Pentlarge, Theodore, East Orange, N. J., by First Church of the Oranges.
 Pertingill, Lucy E., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Provan, Carrie A., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Rodgers, Mrs. M. M., Waverly, Ill., by Self.
 Rowe, Alice T., Boston, Mass., by Self.
 Sanborn, Rev. W. J., Monmouth, Ill., by Church.
 Sears, Isabel W., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Smith, Clarence J., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Spinney, Rev. W. A., Milwaukee, Wis., by South Church.
 Stedman, George Wolverton, Albany, N. Y., by Mr. George L. Stedman.
 Stedman, John Porter, Albany, N. Y., by Mr. George L. Stedman.
 Teague, Rev. M., Duquoin, Ill., by Self.
 Thomas, Mac I., Atlanta, Ill., by Self.
 Thomas, Prudence E., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Thomas, Ruth E., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Thurston, A. J., Shelbyville, Ind., by Self.
 Vevay Baptist Church, Vevay, Ind., by Self.
 Whiting, A. Geraldine, Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Willis, Arthur, Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Willis, Ellen A., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Willis, May Belle, Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Wilson, Arabella B., Boston, Mass., by First Church.
 Wilson, Grace E., Boston, Mass., by First Church.

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DATE.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	TREASURER.
1832, April 27.....	N. Y. Organizat'n	Hon. Thomas Stocks...	Rev. Jonathan Going, elected	Wm. Colgate elected.
1833, May 8.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.....	William Colgate.
1834, May 7 & 8.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.....	William Colgate.
1835, May 4 & 5.....	Richmond.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.....	William Colgate.
1836, June 7 & 8.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	{ Rev. Jonathan Going } { Rev. Luther Crawford }	William Colgate.
1837, April 27-30.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	{ Rev. Jonathan Going } { Rev. Luther Crawford }	Runyon W. Martin.
1838, April 27 & 28.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Luther Crawford.....	Runyon W. Martin.
1839, April 26.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1840, April 28.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1841, April 27, 28 & May 1	Baltimore	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1842, April 26-28.....	New York	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1843, April 25.....	Albany	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1844, April 23, 26, 29 & 30	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1845, April 29 & May 1 & 2	Providence.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1846, May 13 & 14.....	Brooklyn.....	Friend Humphrey	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1847, May 10 & 11.....	New York	Friend Humphrey	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1848, May 11.....	New York	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Runyon W. Martin.
1849, May 10.....	New York.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1850, May 9.....	New York	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1851, May 8.....	New York	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1852, May 14-16.....	Cleveland	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1853, May 13-15.....	Troy.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill	Chas. J. Martin.
1854, May 11-14.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Chas. J. Martin.
1855, May 9.....	Brooklyn.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Chas. J. Martin.
1856, May 9 & 10.....	New York	Hon. Albert Day	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Chas. J. Martin.
1857, May 13 & 14.....	Boston.....	Hon. Albert Day	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	J. E. Southworth.
1858, May 14 & 15.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Albert Day	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	D. C. Whitman.
1859, May 13-15.....	New York	Hon. J. P. Crozer	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Eben. Cauldwell.
1860, May 24.....	Cincinnati.....	Hon. J. P. Crozer	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Eben. Cauldwell.
1861, May 31.....	Brooklyn.....	J. E. Southworth.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Eben. Cauldwell.
1862, May 29.....	Providence.....	Hon. Ira Harris.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.....	Eben. Cauldwell.
1863, May 21.....	Cleveland.....	Hon. J. W. Merrill.....	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.....	Eben. Cauldwell.

TABLE OF ANNUAL MEETINGS.—Continued.

DATE.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	TREASURER.
1864, May 19, 21 & 24	Philadelphia	Hon. J. W. Merrill	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Caudwell.
1865, May 18, 20, 22 & 23	St. Louis	M. R. Anderson, L.L.D.	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Caudwell.
1866, May 17 & 18	Boston	M. B. Anderson, L.L.D.	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Caudwell.
1867, May 23 & 24	Chicago	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Caudwell.
1868, May 26 & 27	New York	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jas. B. Simmons, D.D.,	Eben. Caudwell.
1869, May 19	Boston	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.,	Eben. Caudwell.
1870, May 26	Philadelphia	Hon. J. M. Hoyt	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. E. E. L. Taylor, D.D.,	Eben. Caudwell.
1871, May 20 and 21	Chicago	Hon. Wm. Kelly	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.,	Eben. Caudwell.
1872, May 23	New York	Hon. J. M. S. Williams	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. E. E. L. Taylor, D.D.,	Wm. A. Gellatly.
1873, May 21 & 22	Albany	Hon. J. M. S. Williams	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. E. E. L. Taylor, D.D.,	Wm. A. Gellatly.
1874, May 23-25	Washington.	Hon. S. A. Crozer	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D., Rev. E. E. L. Taylor, D.D.,	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1875, May 27	Philadelphia	Hon. S. A. Crozer	Nathan Bishop, L.L.D., acting Sec.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1876, May 26	Buffalo.	Hon. S. A. Crozer	Nathan Bishop, L.L.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1877, May 24	Providence	Hon. Robert O. Fuller	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1878, May 29	Cleveland.	Hon. Robert O. Fuller	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1879, May 29 & 30	Saratoga Springs.	Hon. Robert O. Fuller	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1880, May 26 & 27	Saratoga Springs.	Hon. Wm. Suckney	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1881, May 24 & 25	Indianapolis.	Hon. Suckney	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1882, May 24, 25 & 26	New York	Hon. James L. Howard	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1883, May 25 & 26	Saratoga Springs.	Hon. James L. Howard	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1884, May 26 & 27	Detroit	Hon. James L. Howard	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1885, May 27 & 28	Saratoga Springs.	John B. Trevor	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	William Phelps.
1886, May 27, 28 & 29	Asbury Park, N.J.	Samuel Colgate	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Shelling.

1887, May 27, 28 & 29...	Minneapolis...	Samuel Colgate.....	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1888, May 16 & 17.....	Washington...	Samuel Colgate.....	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.
1889, May 17 & 18.	Boston.....	Hon. C. W. Kingsley.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1890, May 26 & 27.	Chicago.....	Hon. C. W. Kingsley.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1891, May 20 & 21.	Cincinnati.....	Hon. C. W. Kingsley.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1892, May 27 & 28.	Philadelphia...	Hon. E. Nelson Blake.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1893, May 29 & 30.	Denver..	Hon. E. Nelson Blake.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., hon. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1894, May 23 & 24.	Saratoga Springs.	Hon. E. Nelson Blake.	Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fd. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1895, May 30 & 31	Saratoga Springs.	H. K. Porter.....	Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fd. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1896, May 25 & 26.	Asbury Park. N. J.	H. K. Porter.....	Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fd. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1897, May 19 & 20.	Pittsburg, Pa...	H. K. Porter.....	Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fd. sec.	D. A. Waterman.
1898, May 19 & 20.	Rochester, N. Y.	Stephen Greene.....	Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fd. sec.	D. A. Waterman.
1899, May 30 31, and San Francisco, June 1.....	Cal.....	Stephen Greene	Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fd. sec.	Frank R. Hathaway.
1900, May 23 and 24....	Detroit, Mich ..	Stephen Greene.....	Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fd. sec.	Frank R. Hathaway.
1901, May 23 and 24. ...	Springfield, Mass.	E. M. Thresher.....	Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fd. sec.	Frank R. Hathaway.

Officers were elected generally at the Annual Meeting previous to that against which their names appear in the foregoing table.

REVISED MISSIONARY TABLE SHOWING THE DISTRIBUTION

SOCIETY'S YEAR.	Me.	N. H.	Vt.	Mass.	R. I.	Conn.	N. Y.	N. J.	Penn.	Del.	Md.	D. C.	Va.	W. Va.	Ky.	Tenn.	N. C.	S. C.	Ga.	Fla.	Ala.	Miss.	La.	Ark.	Tex.	Calif.
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NOTES ON ABOVE TABLE.—This table does not include General Officers and missionaries of auxiliary bodies as also all those who received appointments but did not actually render and report service. In the Eastern, Middle and older Southern States, the missionary operations of Baptists among the white English-speaking population have been conducted almost wholly by the State Conventions. This has been true also for many years in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, and Michigan. The exceptions to this rule occur between 1864 and 1874, during portions of which time the Society was in cooperation with New York, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, and Michigan, and also with Wisconsin, Kansas, Nebraska, California, and Florida. Since 1878 cooperation has been resumed with several of the newer States, so that, in 1882, the Conventions of Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Wisconsin, California, North Pacific Coast, Texas, and Arkansas are in general cooperation with the Society.

OF MISSIONARIES AND TEACHERS BY STATES FOR EACH YEAR.

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Operations in the South were discontinued on the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845. They were resumed in 1862, since which time they have been chiefly among the Freedmen, and are largely missional. The decrease of laborers among the Freedmen after 1873 is largely accounted for by the fact that students were no longer commissioned as teachers and missionaries during their summer vacations.

1862-63, Cuba, 3; Porto Rico, 2. 1890-91 Cuba, 4; Porto Rico, 6, 1900-2 Cuba, 9; Porto Rico, 8.

1899-00 Cuba, 3; Porto Rico, 2. 1899-00 Cuba, 4; Porto Rico, 6, 1900-1 Cuba, 9; Porto Rico, 8.

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RESULTS.

SOCIETY'S YEAR.	Contributions and Legacies.	No. of Missionaries	Churches and Stations Supplied.	Baptisms Reported.	Churches Organized	Years of Labor.
1—1832-33.	\$6,586 73	50	.....	400	....	23
2—1833-34	7,776 52	62	.....	1,600	40	55
3—1834-35	8,663 84	79	.....	1,200	60	68
4—1835-36	16,910 85	96	300	1,040	96	79
5—1836-37	12,361 66	103	247	873	33	89
6—1837-38	13,437 81	105	237	1,431	29	81
7—1838-39	15,345 05	115	.....	1,058	24	88
8—1839-40	17,334 29	87	.....	761	24	62
9—1840-41	10,779 09	71	300	1,134	59	45
10—1841-42	12,506 92	93	325	1,495	36	68
11—1842-43	11,806 51	85	304	1,489	50	63
12—1843-44	13,401 76	73	249	1,127	29	46
13—1844-45	18,675 68	97	327	818	51	62
14—1845-46	15,727 73	98	472	992	33	71
15—1846-47	18,161 50	136	505	490	29	84
16—1847-48	20,068 73	151	558	694	35	105
17—1848-49	20,876 64	128	453	774	45	92
18—1849-50	25,201 09	110	338	949	33	81
19—1850-51	29,648 28	132	386	981	33	98
20—1851-52	38,114 16	141	380	1,187	46	99
21—1852-53	42,872 01	164	500	1,025	59	116
22—1853-54	56,381 08	175	612	1,322	67	137
23—1854-55	55,545 40	169	481	1,026	55	128
24—1855-56	47,928 54	113	196	542	21	87
25—1856-57	43,361 76	88	211	336	24	64
26—1857-58	41,707 82	97	247	593	27	77
27—1858-59	43,525 92	106	269	764	53	85
28—1859-60	55,749 50	128	358	496	50	96
29—1860-61	44,678 67	131	371	867	71	109
30—1861-62	31,144 28	84	252	473	30	71
31—1862-63	32,095 30	87	215	501	17	55
32—1863-64	56,090 00	147	372	892	36	83
33—1864-65	94,403 17	227	429	2,141	57	130
34—1865-66	105,936 25	312	378	4,151	89	158
35—1866-67	144,184 46	391	406	7,236	132	233
36—1867-68	139,060 44	326	352	6,712	106	207
37—1868-69	130,877 23	266	301	4,424	64	183
38—1869-70	177,878 90	301	321	3,840	70	184
39—1870-71	197,071 30	338	491	4,038	90	195
40—1871-72	186,251 29	414	500	6,029	160	259
41—1872-73	210,660 07	435	484	4,910	166	278
42—1873-74	221,272 97	329	362	2,264	113	187
43—1874-75	198,343 98	324	358	2,100	92	198
44—1875-76	177,876 62	254	300	2,036	65	159
45—1876-77	159,032 94	225	256	1,581	60	163
46—1877-78	126,463 91	213	250	1,834	36	149

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RESULTS.—Continued.

SOCIETY'S YEAR.	Contributions and Legacies.	No. of Missionaries	Churches and Stations Supplied.	Baptisms Reported.	Churches Organized	Years of Labor.
47—1878-79	\$115,083 38	238	274	1,172	42	157
48—1879-80	122,419 21	277	836	1,160	67	175
49—1880-81	193,373 24	390	1,202	1,304	61	236
50—1881-82	311,918 48	512	1,460	1,675	75	318
51—1882-83	226,914 76	607	1,762	2,515	152	406
52—1883-84	369,302 51	636	1,599	2,949	145	404
53—1884-85	315,245 53	702	1,628	3,317	139	464
54—1885-86	326,279 09	676	1,512	3,396	140	442
55—1886-87	523,623 82	678	1,385	3,300	129	447
56—1887-88	551,595 92	743	1,594	2,886	137	475
57—1888-89	296,461 53	790	1,795	3,646	181	526
58—1889-90	360,414 15	833	1,659	3,834	163	541
59—1890-91	213,586 62	948	1,828	4,523	199	603
60—1891-92	318,986 06	1,053	2,018	4,335	119	669
61—1892-93	315,961 78	1,082	2,035	5,743	136	715
62—1893-94	333,137 61	1,111	2,221	5,998	149	682
63—1894-95	355,157 75	1,100	1,933	6,192	150	716
64—1895-96	394,729 10	1,147	2,015	6,258	187	713
65—1896-97	320,534 93	1,064	1,775	4,916	137	722
66—1897-98	318,176 25	1,030	1,591	5,022	150	689
67—1898-99	384,676 64	1,092	1,807	3,325	57	720
68—1899-00	322,285 30	1,180	1,776	4,442	76	777
69—1900-01	550,818 65	1,199	1,954	4,906	81	820
Totals..	10,684,460.83			169,240	5,467	17,667

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

I.—This Society shall be called **THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY.**

OBJECT.

II.—The object of this Society shall be to promote the preaching of the Gospel in North America.

MEMBERSHIP.

III.—The Society shall be composed of Annual Delegates and Life Members. Any Baptist Church, in union with the denomination, may appoint a delegate for an annual contribution of ten dollars, and an additional delegate for each additional thirty dollars. Fifty dollars shall be requisite to constitute a Member for Life.

OFFICERS.

IV.—The officers of the Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, two Auditors, one or more Corresponding Secretaries, and a Recording Secretary.

MANAGERS.

V.—There shall be twenty-one managers also, residing chiefly in the city of New York, or its vicinity, who shall be divided by lot among themselves into three classes of seven members each. The terms of service of the first class shall expire in one year, that of the second class in two years, and that of the third class in three years; provided that absence from four consecutive regular meetings of the Board without a written, valid excuse, shall work a forfeiture of membership, unless the term is extended by special vote of the Board. At each annual meeting of the Society, after the first election under this amended Constitution, one class only shall be elected for the term of three years, to the end that the third part of the whole number of the managers, as nearly as possible, may be annually chosen; provided, however, that vacancies remaining in any class may be filled for the unexpired term of that class. The officers and managers shall be elected by ballot and continue to discharge their official duties until superseded by a new election.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

VI.—The Recording Secretary and Managers of the Society shall constitute the Executive Board, to control the business of the Society, seven of whom shall be a quorum for that purpose. They shall have power to appoint their own meetings, elect their own Chairman and Recording Secretary, enact their own By-laws and Rules of Order, provided, always, that they be not inconsistent with this Constitution; fill all vacancies which may occur in their own body, or in the offices of the Society, during the year, and, if deemed necessary by two-thirds of the members, convene special meetings of the Society. They shall establish such agencies as the interests of the Society may require, appoint agents and missionaries, fix their compensations, direct and instruct them concerning their particular fields and labors, make all appropriations to be paid out of the treasury, and present the Society, at each annual meeting, a full report of their proceedings during the current year.

DESIGNATED FUNDS.

VII.—All moneys or other property contributed and designated for any particular missionary field or purpose shall be so appropriated, or returned to the donors or their lawful agents.

TREASURER.

VIII.—The Treasurer shall give bonds to such amount as the Executive Board shall think proper.

ELIGIBILITY TO APPOINTMENT.

IX.—All the Officers, Managers, Missionaries and Agents of the Society shall be members in good standing in regular Baptist Churches.

ANNUAL MEETING.

X.—The Society shall meet annually for the election of Officers and Managers, and the transaction of other necessary business, at such time and place as the Executive Board shall appoint.

ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

XI.—No alteration of this Constitution shall be made without an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed in writing, and the proposition sustained by a majority vote, at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Board.

THE AMENDED ACT OF INCORPORATION.

CHAPTER 260.

AN ACT

To amend chapter one hundred and seventeen of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-three, entitled "An act to incorporate the American Baptist Home Mission Society," as amended and extended by chapter thirty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, and further amended by chapter five hundred and twenty-eight of the laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

Became a law March 31, 1900, with the approval of the Governor, Passed, three-fifths being present.

The people of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section two of chapter one hundred and seventeen of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-three, entitled "An act to incorporate the American Baptist Home Mission Society," as amended and extended by chapter thirty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and by chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, and further amended by chapter five hundred and twenty-eight of the laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 1. All such persons as now are, or hereafter may become, members of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, formed in the city of New York in the year eighteen hundred and thirty two, shall be, and hereby are, constituted a body corporate by the name of "The American Baptist Home Mission Society," for the purpose of promoting the preaching of the Gospel, or the establishing, maintaining, or aiding Baptist churches or missions, for the acquisition of sites in contemplation of the erection of houses of worship and other buildings, and for the establishing or maintaining, or assisting in the establishing or maintaining of schools and other institutions of learning in connection with its missionary work in North America.

§ 2. It shall be lawful for the members of said Society, at any time they may elect, to appoint such officers and to make and ordain such by-laws and regulations in relation to their organization and to the management, disposition, and sale of their real or personal estate, the duties and powers of their officers, and the management of their corporate affairs as they shall think proper, provided they are not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this State and of the United States. The Executive Board may, on complying with this Act, and the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society, and without application to the Court, sell, convey, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of any real property, wherever situated, owned by the Society. Any deed, mortgage, lease or other instrument by which any title or interest is transferred, may be executed by the Chairman of the Executive Board and the Treasurer of the Society.

§ 3. The said corporation shall have power to receive, take, hold, and enjoy any property, real or personal, by virtue of any devise, bequest, gift, grant, or purchase, either absolutely or in trust, and to make investments thereof, or of the proceeds thereof, or of any of its funds, wherever and in such manner as may be deemed advisable, and therewith to acquire or erect for its own use or accommodation, or for other purposes, such building or buildings as it may regard advantageous to the interests of the Society, or of the Baptist denomination, with which it is connected; subject, however, in respect to the amount of property it may take and hold, to the restrictions and limitations of existing laws, and in respect to devises or bequests from residents of the State of New York, to the provisions of chapter three hundred and sixty of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty, entitled "An act in relation to wills."

§ 4. The annual and other meetings of said corporation may be held at such place or places within the United States, and at such time or times as the said corporation may, from time to time, determine.

§ 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

HAVE YOU MADE A WILL?

It will not shorten your life to make it. No body knows as well as yourself upon whom you would wish to settle your estate. Perhaps there are claims which your Lord and Keeper has upon the final disposition of it. There may be ignorance where you ought to do something to enlighten; there may be souls in the shadow and darkness of death whom you should do something to set up to light.

Do not waste your own will where you are a lawyer. Better a few dollars spent for skill than let your estate be ravaged by litigation. Let your lawyer be sure that names of institutions remembered be written with absolute correctness. We hope you are disposed to remember this Society. For our Colored Schools we need endowment funds which, now and ever, through successive generations, shall be made to do the work of instructing teachers and preachers. We need funds for the support and enlargement of our general missionary work among the weak and multitude. We urgently need funds for the Benevolent Department of our Church and its work. Remember us. You are giving to these causes now. Give when you are dead.

Form of a Bequest to the Society.—I give and bequeath to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, formed in New York in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two, the sum of ——— for the general purposes of said Society.

Requests for special features of the Society's work should be properly expressed in the will thus: "For the Freedmen's Work of the Society", "For Freedmen's Fund for Christian Schools among the Negroes and the Indians", "For the Maintenance of Students for the Ministry in Schools for the Negroes and the Indians", "For the Benevolent Department of the Church Union Fund."

The following form of attestation, by three witnesses, who should write against their names the places of residence, will answer for every State in the Union: Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said A. B. as his last will and Testament in the presence of us, who at the request of the said A. B. and in his presence, and in the presence of one or more witnesses subscribed our names as witnesses. A verbal will may be attested in the same manner. In some States it is required that charitable bequests should be made at least two months before the death of the testator.

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This Society will receive your money, designated for the purpose you desire, and will invest it, and if you wish, we will pay you an annuity for it while you live—the Society will live and use it after you die. The Society holds large amounts in trust in this same form. It gives to the donor a bond which makes a safe and guaranteed investment during his life. This trust will be a comfort over your will when you are gone, and no uncertainty about your gift reaching its destination.

Pastors and others who know of bequests to the Society are especially requested to inform the corresponding Secretary of the facts as soon as practicable, giving names of testator, executor, and surrogate if possible, and any other facts of importance. Sometimes through neglect or other causes information concerning bequests reaches us long after the death of the testator, and sometimes, it is believed, not at all. Such gifts are wanted, and every Christian is interested in having them secured and applied to the needs of the Church.

Donors should make drafts, checks, and Post-office orders payable to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and can send their contributions to the District Secretary or General Missionary for the District.

The payment of \$1000 makes one a member for life. Churches frequently constitute their pastors life members so that whenever they attend the meeting of the Society they have a voice in its deliberations.



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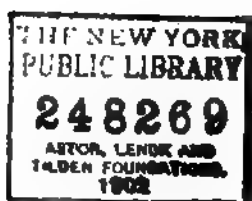
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ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Prayer.
2. Calling of the Roll.
3. Reading of the Minutes of the Last Meeting.
4. Report of Treasurer.
5. Communications from the Corresponding Secretary.
6. Report from Standing Committees.
7. Report of Auditors.
8. Miscellaneous Business.

THE SEVENTIETH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
American Baptist Home Mission Society.

HELD AT ST. PAUL, MINN., MAY 24th AND 26th, 1902.

St. Paul, Minn., May 24, 1902.

The Seventieth Annual Meeting of the American Baptist Home Mission Society was held in the First Baptist Church at 10 o'clock A.M. the president E. M. Thresher, Esq., of Ohio, in the chair.

The Scriptures were read by Rev. A. J. Frost D.D. of California, and prayer was offered by Rev. L. A. Crandall D.D. of Illinois.

On motion Rev. Chas. A. Cook of New Jersey was appointed Secretary *pro tem.* in the absence of Rev. Alvah S. Hobart, D.D.

'My Faith Looks up to Thee,' was sung.

The printed program of meetings was adopted.

The President delivered his annual address as follows:

The providence of God has brought us to the opening exercises of our seventieth annual session. It is a meeting of peculiar interest. We have come to a large and prosperous city with its varied industries and great interests, a center of social influence and one from which go forth those forces which are moving the world. It is a geographical center of importance, almost midway between two great oceans, having on either side the two great mountain ranges which dominate the continent, near the head waters of the great chain of lakes, it stands at the head of the great river system which has made possible the peopling of a vast empire. As we look southward toward the gulf, there lies behind us, stretching out toward the Arctic circle, the highlands and valleys of the great North, with resources and possibilities as yet unknown.

Seventy years ago this society was organized to aid in the evangelization of this great and then unknown valley of the West and to-day it meets,

girded about by a great multitude of those whom God has raised up to bear witness to the truth. There are gathered here from Maine and from California, from Puget Sound and the shore of the gulf of Mexico, those whom this society has aided in the great work of winning North America for Christ. We greet you beloved, as our brethren and companions in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ. But there is a strain of sadness in our anthem of rejoicing. Since we last met, the one who two years ago as your honored president, guided your deliberations, and another, one of your vice-presidents whom in due time you would also have called to that service, have ended their labors and entered into the rest which remains for the people of God.

In the death of Stephen Greene and of Gen. Julius J. Estey, we have lost from our ranks, tried and trusted counselors, men in the prime of useful and consecrated Christian manhood. Of each of them it may be said, "Know ye not that a prince hath fallen in Israel to-day?"

I need not remind you that it was the suggestive address of Stephen Greene at your meeting in Detroit two years ago, which called attention to some problems in the organization of our missionary societies and has occasioned much discussion of the methods of our work. One result of this has been to invite the expression of general opinion from the membership of our churches all over the land. What are the voices that come back to us to-day from the watchman upon Zion's walls? Can we arrange them and set them before us that we may consider their import?

It is worthy of note that they are not the voices of the night but rather of the day, the day of action, the day of opportunity and of promise. There is no discord among them, further than that which is needful to resolve the chords of the purest and the sweetest harmony. It is well that there should be such discussion among us, it makes plain the way. Our work will be most effective when it is best understood and to have its true power, it must live in the hearts of our brethren and it will live so long as we walk in the fear of the Lord and the comfort of the Holy Ghost.

VOICE OF WARNING.

And first there comes to us the voice of admonition. This whole question has its outcome from the work of the commission on systematic beneficence which was organized some years ago to awaken the members of our churches to a fuller sense of their responsibility for the progress of missions and to provide the means needful to enter the open door which the Lord has set before us. The active operations of that commission were temporarily suspended when it became apparent that one of the effects of its work would be to diminish the receipts from some existing sources of income before others could be opened up to replace the loss. There arose

many complaints that there was a too minute subdivision of the appeals from our various societies, creating confusion of mind and also conflict of purpose because there seemed to be a duplication arising out of appeals from different societies for practically the same work.

It has also seemed to many that there was a needless multiplication of machinery in the methods of collecting funds which has caused waste of energy and a consequent loss of power.

This, then, is the admonition, that our entire missionary work be viewed from the high standpoint of the unity of the great commission and that we seek to simplify its machinery and consolidate its forces to the fullest extent which will be consistent with the highest efficiency and the greatest breadth of operation.

Does this mean the consolidation of all of our societies into one all inclusive organization which shall articulate the churches into a visible and audible denominational unit by a system of delegation which shall create a reciprocal authority and responsibility? I do not think that we need to concern ourselves about the erection of a single great fabric of denominational organization to represent the whole body and make apparent its strength. We are made up of individual churches such as the Apostles organized, over whom there is no other authority save that of Christ the head, and though we be many, we are one body, for that body, is the body of Christ, and we shall be of one mind and with one voice, for we hear the voice of Him who is the great Shepherd of the sheep and we walk as seeing him who is invisible.

If any such general consolidation were possible, it would produce complexity rather than simplicity and be likely to cause depression rather than a quickening of its constituent forces. I believe that it is universally conceded that such action for the present at least, is impracticable even if it were desirable. The unification which we most need we may find by keeping the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace.

BUSINESS ORGANIZATION.

The fact is that our missionary societies are simply business organizations, having for their purpose the raising of money and its expenditure to enable men who have been called of God, to preach the Gospel and to teach the truth to those who have it not. This was the occasion of their first beginning and it is the sole warrant for their continuance. If they have any other function than this, I have not been able to find it.

We do not hear of any missionary societies in New Testament times nor is there any mention of the raising of money for the direct preaching of the Gospel. They may have done this, doubtless they did but it is not mentioned. For all that, the need of such action to-day is none the less

a divine call. But we read that from Jerusalem they went everywhere preaching the word.

It is plain that while we have to deal with churches as secondary units through which we may work in our plan of organization we must also keep in touch with the individual Christian, who is the primary unit. No form of church action can determine the duty of the individual in the amount and direction of his giving without his consent, nor free him from the responsibility of its performance. The duty lies upon his own conscience, and he shall answer to God.

In any action which we take, this must not be forgotten. The liberty of each soul in Christ and his responsibility alone to Him, is one of the great truths for which we stand. Let us guard it well, for it is a part of the faith once delivered to the Saints.

But there is another voice which comes to us, the voice of invitation. It is a call not so much to service, as for service. There are many in our ranks, gifted and consecrated men, who are ready to participate in our deliberations and to assume their share of the duties and responsibilities which attend the grand and inspiring work for souls which the Lord is giving us to do. This is honorable and praiseworthy.

We may well question whether it will be wise to exchange in any great degree the careful deliberations of a permanent and executive board for the forensic discussion of a general debate. But let us take all possible care in the arrangement of our deliberations, that there be the fullest opportunity for the expression of individual opinion, and let us as far as possible enlarge the number of burden bearers and strive to increase that enthusiasm which attends participation in the responsibilities of our work.

And finally, in our responsive chord, there is a great diapason of loyalty, whatever may be the differences among us they are confined entirely to the consideration of machinery and methods, and they arise from the growth and greatness of our work. Concerning that work itself, the great work of winning the world for Christ, there is but one voice, and that is the voice of uncompromising and unquestionable loyalty, loyalty to the work, loyalty to the workers, loyalty to the truth, and above all loyalty to Christ, whose we are and whom we serve.

Solo by Mr. B. P. Stout of St. Paul.

Secretary Morgan presented the annual report of the Executive Board calling attention to features of special interest.

The Treasurer, Frank R. Hathaway presented his annual report.

A stanza of "Come Thou Almighty King" was sung.

After discussion it was voted to adopt the reports of the Treasurer and the Executive Board as presented.

The Chairman nominated, and the Society confirmed, the following committees:

Committee on Nominations.—Rev. E. W. Hunt, D.D., of Ohio; Rev. D. J. Coon, of Iowa; Rev. K. Wheeler, D.D., of Illinois; H. K. Porter, of Pennsylvania; Knute Nelson, of Minnesota; Rev. H. O. Rowlands, D.D., of Nebraska; Rev. R. Hartley, of New York; Rev. J. W. Lyell, of New Jersey; Rev. G. E. Horr, D.D., of Massachusetts; Rev. H. S. Burrage, D.D., of Maine; Rev. E. A. Woods, D.D., of California; Rev. D. W. Hulburt, of Wisconsin; Rev. J. N. Field, of Indiana.

Committee on Enrollment.—Rev. C. H. Moss, of New York; Rev. R. T. Middleditch, of Pennsylvania; Rev. L. S. Bowerman, of Washington; Rev. J. W. Icenbarger, of Ohio; Rev. Chas. Rhodes, of Missouri.

The following minute was presented by Rev. Lemuel Moss, D.D., and on motion referred to the general meeting to be held on Tuesday May 27th.

THE COMMITTEE OF FIFTEEN.

Whereas: 1. It is affirmed that there is widespread unrest among our churches with reference to the lack of proper coöperation in the activities of our Baptist National Missionary Societies—especially of the American Baptist Missionary Union, the American Baptist Publication Society, and the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and their associate Societies, and a lack of proper adjustment of their agencies and methods of operation;

2. It is desirable that this great matter shall be duly investigated and wisely acted upon, so that Christian fellowship and brotherly love among us may be promoted, and the work of God in our land and in all lands may be unhindered; therefore

Resolved: 1. That the American Baptist Publication Society and the American Baptist Missionary Union are hereby requested to appoint their presiding officers, to constitute, with the presiding officer of this Society, a special joint committee of three, for the purpose of naming a Committee of Fifteen, to whom all matters for investigation and inquiry, as above suggested, shall be referred, and the presiding officer of this Society, the American Baptist Home Mission Society, is hereby appointed a member of the said special joint committee of three.

2. That this Committee of Fifteen shall consist of seven ministers, five laymen, and three women.

3. That this Committee of Fifteen shall choose their own officers. They shall fill any vacancies that may occur in their number. They may

also, if for any reason they deem it expedient, increase their number, not to exceed twenty-one in all, observing the conditions of membership indicated in the preceding resolution.

4. That this Committee of Fifteen shall serve without compensation. Their necessary expenses, for meetings held, and for correspondence and consultation, shall be borne in equal portions by the three Societies above named.

5. That the duties of this Committee of Fifteen shall be to ascertain all the facts concerning the matters at issue, as above suggested; whether there be any lack of proper adjustment and proper coöperation between the three Societies, including their associate Societies, as to fields of labor, collecting and other agencies, and methods of work; whether there may be improvement in their mutual relations, for more harmonious, effective and fruitful service; whether changes are needful or desirable in their forms of organization, in their constitutions, by-laws, agencies, and methods of work; and, if changes are needed, recommending what they shall be. The Committee shall interpret their duties in the largest and widest sense, in making their inquiries and recommendations.

6. That this Committee of Fifteen shall be appointed at the earliest hour possible during these Anniversaries, in order that they may here organize, if practicable, may receive any communications or instructions, and may decide upon their future course of procedure or its beginning.

7. That this Committee of Fifteen shall report their findings and recommendations at the Anniversaries in May, 1903, to the three Societies. If they are not at that time prepared to report finally and in full, they shall then report progress, and continue their inquiries and consultations until their work is completed and their report is rendered.

LEMUEL MOSS.

The Annual Report of the Commission on Systematic Beneficence was presented by B. F. Dennison, Esq., Secretary of the Commission. It was voted to refer the report to the general meeting on Tuesday.

The Commission on Systematic Beneficence was the outgrowth of certain recommendations of the Committee on Finance of the American Baptist Missionary Union, made at the May Anniversaries in 1896. It was appointed for three years. On its recommendation and in view of the work it had been enabled to accomplish it was re-appointed at San Francisco for another three years.

It was designed to promote among Baptists intelligent, systematic, proportionate and distributive beneficence.

Its work was necessarily educational and it sought to accomplish it by quickening the sense of Christian Stewardship, by commending to the

Churches the general cause of beneficence and by suggesting simple, practical methods of Christian giving.

It aimed to secure for each of the general causes, stated contributions from each church within its fold and offerings from each individual church member and from every regular attendant at Baptist worship.

It disclaimed all legislative authority and all purpose or desire to interfere in any wise with the independence of the churches or the freedom of individuals. Its function was simply and only advisory.

To better accomplish its purpose it proposed the organization in co-operation with itself of State Associational and Church Commissions. It issued and circulated a number of papers on the subject of beneficence and suggesting plans for the systematic collection in the churches.

During the first year of the Commission and largely inspired by it, the memorable effort was made which resulted in paying the large debts of the Missionary Union and the Home Mission Society, over \$480,000 having been contributed for this purpose.

Conferences on Beneficence have been held in various important centres and at various times.

Four hundred and sixty thousand copies of the several papers published by the Commission have been gratuitously distributed in 27 States, in all of which State Commissions have been organized. A great number of Associational Commissions have also been started and efficient work is still being done in a number of States. In New Jersey, during the last year 16,000 leaflets were distributed by the State Commission and a day for Christian Stewardship observed, on which many pastors preached on the subject.

At the last anniversary the Commission recommended the appointment of a superintendent who should give his entire time to the work and whose compensation should be provided for by the several Societies represented in the Commission. After an animated discussion the recommendation was adopted by a vote of 80 in the affirmative to 44 in the negative.

In view of the decided opposition to the plan it was not deemed wise, by the several Societies represented, to carry out the recommendation.

After careful consideration the Commission here decided not to recommend its re-appointment.

The work has been fully organized and can now be carried on through State, Associational and Church Commissions.

We believe that our labors have not been in vain, and while all has not been accomplished that some hoped, the attention of our people has been called to the subject of Christian Stewardship and we trust that the seed sown will yet spring up into a good harvest.

On behalf of the Commission,

B. F. DENNISON, Sec.

A communication was presented by Secretary T. J. Morgan from a Sub-Committee of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, asking that a committee be appointed to confer with them with a view to establishing a uniformity of practice on the subject of Matrimony and Divorce. It was voted to appoint a committee, as desired, and the following brethren were named as the Committee:

Henry G. Weston, D.D., Pennsylvania,
Alvah Hovey, D.D., Massachusetts,
C. W. Needham, LL.D., Washington, D. C.

The Joint Committee on Collecting Agencies, appointed in accordance with resolutions passed at Springfield in 1901, presented their report. The report was received and referred to the general meeting on May 27th. The report is as follows:

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON "COLLECTION AGENCIES" APPOINTED BY THE
BOARDS OF THE SEVERAL SOCIETIES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESOLUTION
OF THE MEETING AT SPRINGFIELD, MASS., MAY, 1901.**

The committee, consisting of nine members, three from each of the societies, has held two meetings: one for the consideration in general of the system of collection agencies at present in use, and for forming plans for the further study of the question before them; and another for the examination and discussion of the data secured by extensive correspondence and inquiry.

We have had before us the thorough and exhaustive report of the committee on the same subject presented to the Board of Managers of the Missionary Union, at its Asbury Park meeting in 1896. This report is especially valuable for its historical review of the policy with reference to District Secretaries, both of the Triennial Convention and the Missionary Union. From this it appears that substantially the present method of securing funds for missions has been in use from the beginning, eighty-eight years ago, with only natural variations and developments. Often as the question of change has been considered during this long period, in every instance the employment of District Secretaries has been re-affirmed and commended it.

We have also secured from the Missionary Union and the Home Mission Society tables of the comparative cost of their collection agencies in proportion to the receipts affected by such agencies, during their entire history. The tables accompany this report as "Exhibits A" and "B."

They have been prepared from the official figures with great care. They are explicit as to the basis of calculation employed, and, as it seems to us, fair and just, in that they exclude from the comparison funds which cannot properly be regarded as the fruit of such agencies.

Study of these tables will show that there has been, with frequent fluctuations, on the whole, a decrease in the *proportional* cost of the collection agencies and that the present ratio is certainly economical. The cost of collection for each hundred dollars in the year 1901 was, for the Missionary Union six dollars and fifteen cents; for the Home Mission Society six dollars and eight cents. The ratio for the five years ending with 1901 was, for the Missionary Union five dollars and sixty-four cents per hundred dollars; for the Home Mission Society five dollars and forty-five cents.

The reason for ignoring the Publication Society in this particular enquiry is the fact that that collection agencies of that Society are, in some sections, of a different sort, making comparison less feasible.

A third line of enquiry pursued by us has been to request from the District Secretaries of all three of the societies answers to twenty-three questions covering all phases of their work, for the last five years; together with such other information about their methods and labors as they might see fit to send us. The answers cannot well be tabulated, but with the list of questions they are in the hands of the committee for examination by any one who wishes to see them. They show that the fields assigned are in many instances so large as to require utmost industry and fidelity for their cultivation. They show also a wise variation in methods on differing fields. In special cases they show an alert and aggressive determination in the adoption of new methods and the conquest of difficulties. They reveal a common spirit of devotion to the work and a high standard of general efficiency: A marked spirit of fraternity as between representatives of different societies, and an earnest desire for conference with each other, and the avoidance of friction in the presentation of their several causes, is displayed.

In addition to the use of these sources of information we have sought light from individuals well informed as to the methods of the Secretaries and in touch with their work. In our final discussion, while some differences in the degree of conviction as to particular phases of the question were developed, we were able to reach unanimity in the findings now reported to you, all the members of the committee being present, except Mr. Samuel A. Crozer who was in Europe:

1. We approve the policy of the employment of District Secretaries by the Societies, and recommend its continuance.

2. After considering carefully the question of the combination of District Secretaryships, so that one man shall represent the three organiza-

tions in a given territory, we are of the opinion, in view of existing conditions, that neither economy nor efficiency would be furthered by the adoption of that method.

3. In our judgment before any radical changes are made in the present administration of District Secretaryships, it would be expedient to try an experiment of combination in a selected district, so adjusted in size and situation, as to ensure a fair and adequate trial of the plan.

In transmitting to you these results of our deliberations we desire to express our emphatic and unanimous approval of the so-called "wheel-plan," by which causes are exclusively presented, in rotation, in a given territory, at proper intervals of time, thus avoiding confusion of thought on the part of the givers and apparent competition on the part of the pleaders. System is as wise and necessary in methods of appeal for beneficence as in its bestowal.

Conference between the several Secretaries and the Committees of Arrangement of State Conventions and local associations looking to a like avoidance of congestion and friction is in every way desirable. If the spirit of co-ordination and co-operation, to a degree already existing between the representatives of the societies, can be intensified and promoted, we are sure that the agitations which led to our appointment as a committee will speedily subside.

We give approval, alike hearty and unanimous, to the plan of appointing Associational Secretaries as the local advisers and helpers of the District Secretaries and commend the plan recently adopted by the Home Mission Society of issuing to such helpers a commission from headquarters.

Finally, we are convinced that our churches at large never needed more than now to be educated in the duty and privilege of giving the Gospel to all the world. This, primarily, is the distinctive work of the District Secretary. He is more, far more, than a collector of money. It is a prostitution of his service to compel him to become an office drudge, harnessed to the wheel of clerical work. In our judgment it would be wise, and in the end economical, to relieve the Secretaries of all such tasks that they may give their whole time directly to the business of educating the churches in the work of missions. That work is too diversified to be compassed in all its details, at home and abroad, by one man. Specialization is power, in this as in everything, if only the specialist has widest views of the Kingdom of God as a whole.

COMMITTEE.

Home Mission Society—W. C. P. Rhoades, E. E. Chivers, E. J. Brockett. Publication Society—Samuel A. Crozer, O. P. Eaches, Edward

S. Clinch. Missionary Union—Wm. Arnold Stevens, Charles A. Cook, John Humpstone.

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow," was sung, and the session closed with prayer by Rev. E. A. Ince, of Illinois.

MONDAY, MAY 26, 1902.

Meeting promptly called to order by the President, E. M. Thresher.

Scriptures read by Rev. J. W. Icenbarger, of Dayton, Ohio.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. A. Spinney, of Wisconsin.

Address: "Work Among the Danes," by Rev. N. L. Christianson, of Kasson, Minn.

Address: "Norwegians," by Rev. C. W. Finwall, of Chicago, Ill.

Address: "Swedes." Rev. Frank Peterson, D.D., Minnesota.

Address by H. L. Morehouse, D.D.

Motion to extend the session ten minutes. Carried.

Address by Dr. Howard B. Grose, of Massachusetts. "Foreign Populations in New England."

Address: Miss Barkley, Missionary to Cuba.

Resolution introduced by Dr. L. A. Crandall thanking the Committee of Arrangements for the efficient and painstaking preparations made for these meetings, and for many thoughtful courtesies.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President called the Society to order at 2 P.M.

The scriptures were read by Rev. F. J. Salsman, Montana, and prayer was offered by Rev. C. H. Wheeler, Iowa.

"Rock of Ages" was sung.

Address by Rev. E. L. Scruggs, Missouri, on "Negro Education."

"The Work of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society," address by Mrs. L. J. Dyke, Oklahoma. Address by Mrs. M. C. Reynolds, Massachusetts.

Hymn: "Soon May the Last Glad Song Arise."

Committee on Nominations reported as follows: The persons named by the Committee on Nominations were elected as nominated.

President—E. M. Thresher, Esq., Ohio.

Vice-Presidents—Andrew McLeish, Esq., Illinois; I. E. Gates, Esq., New York.

Auditors—Edgar L. Marston, Esq., New York; L. F. Requa, Esq., New York.

Corresponding Secretary—Thomas J. Morgan, LL. D., New York.

Recording Secretary—Alvah S. Hobart, D.D., Pennsylvania.

Board of Managers.—First class, term to expire in 1903—E. O. Silver, Esq., East Orange, N. J. **Second class**, term to expire in 1905—George D. Finlay, Esq., Montclair, N. J. Third class, term to expire in 1905—R. P. Johnston, D.D., New York; E. Lathrop, D.D., New York; Rev. C. A. Cook, Bloomfield, N. J.; I. W. Maclay, Esq., Yonkers, N. Y.; Rev. E. T. Tomlinson, Ph.D., Elizabeth, N. J.; T. J. Parry, D.D., Waterbury, Conn.; E. E. Chivers, D.D., Brooklyn, N. Y.

The following message was authorized by vote, to be signed by President and Secretary.

T. Estrada Palma, President Republic of Cuba. Havana:

The American Baptist Home Mission Society, in session at St. Paul, Minnesota, congratulates you upon the auspicious inauguration of the Cuban Republic, and prays for the blessing of God upon your administration.

E. M. THRESHER, Pres.

C. A. COOK, Secy. Pro. Tem.

Secretary Morgan moved adoption of changes in constitution, as recommended by the Committee and the Board, as follows:

1. Individual annual members upon the payment of ten dollars.
2. Annual members appointed by contributing churches on the basis of one for each church; and an additional member for each \$50.00 contributed; provided that no church be entitled to more than ten members.
3. Honorary Life members, whether so constituted by the payment, either by themselves, by friends, or by churches, of \$50.00. Every such member shall have a vote in the meetings of the Society, so long as he continues to be an annual contributor to the treasury. But no person shall vote in the meetings of the Society who is not a member in good standing of a regular Baptist Church.

INVITATION.

An invitation was presented by Rev. C. A. Woody, of Oregon, to meet in Portland, 1905.

Hymn: "I Need Thee Every Hour."

Address: Rev. D. W. Hulburt, Wisconsin, "Quickening the **Missionary Interest in the Churches.**"

Discussion of the paper followed.

Prayer by C. Van Dorn.

MONDAY EVENING, 7.45.

Central Presbyterian Church.

Hymn: "Nearer My God to Thee."

Scriptures read by Rev. F. S. Dobbins, D.D., of Pennsylvania.
Prayer by Rev. O. A. Williams D.D., of Minnesota.

Solo by B. P. Stout.

Address by Rev. L. L. Smith, Oklahoma, on "Oklahoma Territory."

Hymn: "My Faith Looks up to Thee."

Address by Rev. Frank Barnett, Utah, on "The Mormons."

Addresses by Rev. Jos. A. Booker, of Arkansas; Rev. J. Jager, Minnesota.

Committee on Enrollment reported: Life members, 69; annual members, 53; delegates, 192; visitors, 122; total, 436. Credentials presented, 86.

Minutes of the meeting were referred to the Executive Board for publication.

Remarks by Dr. H. L. Morehouse, T. J. Morgan, E. M. Thresher.

The following resolution presented by H. L. Morehouse, of New York, was adopted: "That the corresponding secretary of the American Baptist Home Society be authorized to send a word of remembrance to five men who have been presidents of this Society and who have been its most liberal supporters and who, until the infirmities of age came, were always with us: Samuel A. Crozer, Pennsylvania; Ex-Gov. James L. Howard, Connecti-



cut; C. L. Kingsley, E. Nelson Blake, and R. O. Fuller, the latter three all of Massachusetts."

Hymn: "God be with you till we meet again."

Benediction: Rev. E. A. Woods, D.D., California.

ANNUAL SERMON AND SUNDAY SERVICES.

Sunday, May 25, 1902.—The annual sermon before the three National Societies was delivered by Rev. A. C. Dixon, D.D., at 11 A.M. A vast and attentive audience was present.

At 8 P.M. a missionary mass meeting was addressed by Rev. J. L. Jackson, D.D., of Illinois, and Rev. C. Woelfkin, D.D., of New York.

THE SEVENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE
American Baptist Home Mission Society.

PRESENTED AT ST. PAUL, MINN., MAY 24, 1902.

The Executive Board submits to the American Baptist Home Mission Society its Seventieth Annual Report for the year ending March 31, 1902. It includes reports from the Treasurer, the Field Secretary, District Secretaries, Superintendents of Missions, General Missionaries, Educational Agents, together with statistical tables.

OBITUARY.

James M. Whitehead, Esq., passed away at his home in Washington, D. C., July 14, 1901, in the ninety-second year of his age. He was born in Metuchen, N. J., in 1810; entered the service of the Home Mission Society in 1845 as bookkeeper; became assistant treasurer in 1869, holding this position until his retirement in 1886, after a service of about forty-one years. He served the Society with fidelity and efficiency.

Rev. W. E. Powell, D.D., died at his home in Parkersburg, W. Va., July 28, 1901, at the age of fifty-nine years. For twenty-one years he was the representative of the Society, and for ten years was Superintendent of Missions in West Virginia. He was

a man of great force of character, a tireless worker, and left a deep impress upon the denomination in the State.

Stephen Greene, Esq., Ex-President of the Society, died suddenly at his home in Newton Centre, Mass., on Thursday morning, November 7, 1901; he was a man of exceptional business ability; a leader in church and missionary enterprises; and was highly esteemed for his personal qualities. At the annual meetings of the Society he presided with dignity, courtesy and ability.

Rev. Edward T. Hiscox, D.D., died at his home in Mount Vernon, N. Y., suddenly and peaceably, on December 12, 1901. By reason of his exalted personal character, his long service as a pastor, and his influence in shaping the policy of the denomination by means of his books on church order and practices, Dr. Hiscox was easily one of the foremost figures in our Baptist ranks.

His service for the American Baptist Home Mission Society was long and valuable. He was a member of the Board from 1856-7, 1861-9, and from 1871 to 1901, a total of thirty-nine years; for thirteen years, from 1884 to 1897, he was Chairman of the Executive Board, bearing constantly upon his mind and heart the burden of administrative responsibility.

Ely Davis, Esq., died at his home in Fredonia, N. Y., January 10, 1902, in the eighty-fifth year of his age. For many years he was a constant and liberal contributor to the treasury of the Society, and always took a lively and intelligent interest in its work.

Gen. Julius J. Estey died suddenly at his home in Brattleboro, Vt., on March 7, 1902. Last May he was elected to the office of Vice President of the Society, and it was hoped that in due time he would fill the office of President. He was a man of large ability, broad views of life, of most excellent judgment, and will be greatly missed in the wide circles in which his influence was felt.

Rev. P. A. Englund, one of our faithful, successful Swedish missionaries, died at his home in Quincy, Mass., January 29, 1902; he was pastor in Quincy, Mass., for twelve years, during which time the church grew from 30 to 116 members.

I. FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Although we closed with a nominal debt of \$13,629.69 we regard the year as one of exceptional prosperity. The receipts from legacies for general purposes have been \$78,348.62. Our expenses have been necessarily greater by reason of enlargement of both missionary and educational work. In addition to the amounts available for general purposes we have added \$8,149.81 to our permanent funds, \$40,553.75 to our conditional funds; \$42,781.74 to our annuity funds, and have spent \$67,775.90 specially contributed for enlarged facilities at our schools.

Contributions have been received from forty-six States and Territories, and from Alaska, Canada, China, Cuba and Mexico. The total receipts for the year, from all sources and for all the purposes of the Society both general and special, have been \$614,223.63.

These may be classified as follows:

I. *For General Purposes—*

1. Contributions of

(a) Churches	\$104,300.25
(b) Sunday Schools	4,212.02
(c) Young People's Societies...	2,262.58
(d) Individuals	65,551.57
(e) State Conventions	57,749.89
(f) Women's Societies	22,303.36

\$256,379.67

2. Legacies

78,348.62

3. School Surplus

5,190.81

4. *Annuity Funds, released by death

of donors

11,000.00

5. Income from Invested Funds

41,477.39

6. Income from Publications

3,142.75

7. Sale of Real Estate

2,224.00

8. Miscellaneous

6,038.41

\$403,801.65

Amount brought forward.....		\$403,801.65
<i>II. For Special Purposes—</i>		
1. Designated for Schools	59,420.32	
2. *For Virginia Union University....	5,100.00	
3. †For Jackson College	20,002.39	
4. For other purposes	464.30	
		<u>\$84,987.01</u>
		\$488,788.66
<i>III. For Permanent Trust Fund—</i>		
1. Contributions	1,384.65	
2. Legacies	6,765.16	
		<u>\$8,149.81</u>
<i>IV. For Annuity Fund—</i>		
1. Contributions	41,781.74	
2. Legacies	1,000.00	
		<u>\$42,781.74</u>
<i>V. For Conditional Fund—</i>		
1. Contributions	35,000.00	
2. Legacies	5,553.75	
		<u>\$40,553.75</u>
<i>VI. For Church Edifice Funds—</i>		
GIFT FUND.		
1. Contributions	15,065.25	
2. Legacies	1,691.94	
3. *Annuity Funds, released by death of donor	1,000.00	
4. Income from Investments	7,969.25	
5. Realized from former Gifts.....	1,858.30	
		<u>\$27,584.74</u>
LOAN FUND.		
6. Income from Investments.....	6,339.93	
7. Realized from Sale of Property....	25.00	
		<u>\$6,364.93</u>
Total receipts.....		\$614,223.63
*Formerly reported among Donations for Annuity Fund.		
†Partial payment from sale of old property held for the purchase of new property.		

Amount brought forward.....		\$614,223.63
Balance in the Treasury at the beginning of the year:		
General Fund, Available	203.41	
Designated.....	8,646.75	
Church Edifice Gift Fund—		
Available	11,343.56	
Designated	22,676.41	
	<hr/>	42,870.13
Debt of the General Fund April 1, 1902		13,629.69
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		\$670,723.45

DISBURSEMENTS.

I. For General Purposes—

1. Missions		\$207,964.82
2. Education		110,229.43
3. General Superintendents	9,642.12	
4. District Secretaries	24,599.95	
5. Home Office	17,507.39	
6. Publication Account	4,587.27	
7. Miscellaneous Expenses	9,427.95	
	<hr/>	\$65,764.68
Less amount paid by Church Edifice Funds	6,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$59,764.68
8. Interest	11,284.41	
9. Annuities	23,039.90	
10. Investments.....	1,762.76	
11. Sundry	2,035.00	
	<hr/>	38,122.07
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		\$416,081.00

II. For Special Purposes—

1. Construction and equipment of School Buildings, etc.....	71,743.57	
2 Transfers	766.84	
	<hr/>	\$72,510.41
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		\$488,591.41

III. For Church Edifice Purposes—

1. Gifts to Churches	25,511.41	
2. Expenses:		
(a) Gift Fund	3,264.54	
(b) Loan Fund	3,085.19	
3. Sundry	10.96	
	<hr/>	\$31,872.10
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Total Disbursements		\$520,463.51
Added to Permanent Trust Fund.....	\$8,149.81	
Annuity Fund	42,781.74	
Conditional Fund	40,553.75	
Church Edifice Loan Fund...	3,279.74	
	<hr/>	\$94,765.04

Cash in Treasury:

General Fund, Designated.....	22,677.10	
Church Edifice Gift Fund:		
Available	15,512.36	
Designated	17,305.44	
	<hr/>	\$55,494.90
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		\$670,723.45

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.

For years ending March 31,

	1900.	1901.	1902.
1. From churches, Sunday Schools, and individuals	\$249,883 24	\$249,723 77	\$256,379 67
2. School surplus	1,494 28	4,896 99	5,194 81
3. Legacies	32,581 45	145,119 01	78,348 62
4. Annuities released	13,600 00	13,102 90	11,000 00
5. Income on invested funds.....	39,521 20	41,011 23	41,477 39
6. Publication account	3,143 79	3,090 12	3,142 75
7. Miscellaneous		1,096 53	8,262 41
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	\$340,223 96	\$458,040 55	\$403,801 65
Annual Average.....			\$400,688 72

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

In compliance with the instruction of the Society at Springfield, May, 1901, your Board appointed as its quota of members for the Committee on Collection Agencies and work of District Secretaries, Brethren E. E. Chivers, W. C. P. Rhoades and E. J. Brockett. The report of the Joint Committee will be submitted for your consideration. Meanwhile, we invite special attention to the reports of the District Secretaries herewith presented. The facts stated by them will be helpful in forming a wise judgment as to the nature and value of their work.

The following table gives the districts and the names and addresses of the Secretaries.

1. NEW ENGLAND.—F. T. Hazlewood, D.D., Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
2. NEW YORK.—Samuel McBride, D.D., 111 Fifth Avenue, New York City.
3. PHILADELPHIA.—E. B. Palmer, D.D., 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 4.—LAKE.—E. H. E. Jameson, D.D., 106 Smith avenue, Detroit, Mich.
5. WABASH.—Rev. S. C. Fulmer, 908 East Fifteenth street, Indianapolis, Ind.
6. CHICAGO.—J. B. Thomas, D.D., Monon Building, 324 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.

7. UPPER MISSISSIPPI.—O. A. Williams, D.D., 702 Lumber Exchange, Minneapolis, Minn.
8. CENTRAL.—Rev. D. D. Propter, 1190 Eleventh street, Des Moines, Ia.
9. PACIFIC.—C. A. Woody, D.D., 302 Goodnough Building, Portland, Ore.
10. KANAWHA.—Rev. John S. Stump, Parkersburg, W. Va.
11. MISSOURI.—Manly J. Breaker, D.D., St. Louis, Mo., Financial Agent for Home and Foreign Mission Work of Baptists, both North and South.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT.

FRANCIS T. HAZLEWOOD, D.D., BOSTON, MASS., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The financial statement, given below, shows the changes which have taken place in the contributions for the year. The whole amount is considerably less than that received for the year before, but this is due to the uncertain element of legacies. Instead of the \$68,666.66 received the preceding year from the estate of Daniel S. Ford, we have received this past year the amount of \$31,250. In this connection it is a pleasure to bear testimony to the thoughtfulness of the executors of the will of Mr. Ford, which has thus anticipated our need in the payment of this considerable sum, just as we were about to close the year with a debt.

The year has been one of persistent work. Some of the difficulties encountered may be briefly mentioned:

1. The fact that so large a number of the churches delay their offering for missions until the last month of the year, and then take them for several objects, with the prospect, or possibility of rainy Sundays, reduces the amounts for the one object, or the other, to a considerable degree. The March just passed had several stormy Sundays, so that the books show a material decrease over the gifts of the same month a year ago. If the system which prevails in some of the churches of sending a collecting envelope,—with printed request from the pastor and his Missionary Committee, that every family and individual thereof, so far as practicable, place a contribution in the envelope and send it in, if unable to be present,—more generally obtained, this evil would be corrected.

2. Another difficulty has been the fact of the imperative necessity of meeting the conditions of promised gifts to our educational institutions by the first of April, coincident with the time of the closing of the books of our great missionary organizations. These have been worthy objects, and have called for the large giving on the part of individual givers to our Home Mission Society, who, because of their gifts to the colleges and academies have not this year been able to give so largely to missions. At the same time some of the relatively smaller givers have pledged them-

selves for amounts which must be paid in installments covering several years, so that it is not improbable that their offerings for missions will not reach their normal mark during that time.

3. There is not only a large number of churches in New England having a bare existence, destitute of organization from which we may hope to get a contribution, but also a considerable number constantly growing weaker, whose contributions are becoming smaller. The chief givers in many of these have died, some of them perpetuating their gifts by bequests to the Society, but in many of them death ends the giving.

4. Changes in the pastoral relations have been the cause of much loss. Churches might be mentioned from which a considerable sum has been regularly forwarded to us, which passed the collection for the last fiscal year, because there was no pastor to look after the collection, or because the new pastor did not feel quite secure enough to push it.

5. Church debts have in some instances stood in the way of the collection. The fact that the first of April is the first of a new fiscal year with many churches; the fact that some churches in losing their pastor have found it necessary to square accounts, these have been in some instances in the way of the usual giving to missionary work. It is surprising, when you stop to think of it, that so much money should be gathered in during the last week of March. One cannot resist the conviction that much more would be available if the time of collection could be more evenly distributed as respects the different objects.

6. A few churches have delayed the sending in of their gifts until too late to be included in the fiscal year. The closing of the year so near to the first of April, which is dividend day with so many corporations, delays the contributions of many of our best givers.

The year has been one of constant work. There has been an unusual amount of Probate work for the attention of the District Secretary, some of it perplexing, and requiring a great amount of labor, while there has been a very large increase in the ordinary office work itself.

During the fall and winter months Mrs. William Scott has been industriously at work, and with marked acceptance, in this District, speaking in the interests of the educational work of the Society for her people, the negroes of the South-land.

It is a pleasure to record that, in the organization of the District for more efficient presentation of the work of the Home Mission Society, by appointment of Associational Secretaries, and Correspondents, there has been a ready and hearty response on the part of the pastors and members of the churches.

There has been a cordial co-operation during the year on the part of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society. I am happy to bear witness to the patience, intelligence and persistence with which the

officers of that Society and the members of its Board have sought to cultivate the field of benevolence for the Home Mission work, and to show that they are truly co-ordinated with the General Society.

Total from the churches.....	\$27,674 76
Total from individuals....	13,494 80
Total from Sunday Schools....	684 85
Total from Young People's Societies.....	609 03
Total from legacies.....	73,229 36

Total from all sources.....	\$115,692 80
Total from all sources last year.....	\$162,988 56
Total from all sources this year.....	115,692 80

Decrease this year.....	\$47,295 76
Total from the churches last year.....	\$30,337 41
Total from the churches this year.....	27,674 76

Decrease this year.....	\$2,662 65
Total from individuals last year.....	\$16,426 67
Total from individuals this year.....	13,494 80

Decrease this year.....	2,931 87
Total from Sunday Schools last year.....	\$915 51
Total from Sunday Schools this year.....	684 85

Decrease this year.....	\$230 66
Total from Young People's Societies last year.....	\$628 86
Total from Young People's Societies this year.....	609 03

Decrease this year.....	\$19 83
Total from legacies last year.....	\$114,680 11
Total from legacies this year.....	73,229 36

Decrease this year.....	\$41,450 75
The contributions of individuals for annuity fund last year were	\$8,423 00
This year	8,400 00

Decrease this year	\$23 00
The gifts by legacy for permanent and conditional funds this year were	\$15,000 00
Last year	2,808 65

Increase this year	\$12,191 35
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There are in the New England District 981 churches, of these 237 are without pastors. The number contributing to our work the last year was 571, leaving 410 not contributing. Most of these churches are very small, without pastors, holding services quite irregularly. There were about 15 of the churches usually contributing that failed to get their contributions in on time; a number of these are without pastors. If the churches usually contributing, but failing to get their contributions in season for the close of the year had contributed as last year, the sum total from the churches would have been about the same as last year.

NEW YORK DISTRICT.

NEW YORK AND NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, SAMUEL M'BRIDE, D.D., NEW YORK CITY, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

When I entered on this work a few months ago I found that the field had been well cultivated by my predecessor, the Rev. Dwight Spencer, D.D., who after long and faithful service has retired from office. As the personal element enters very largely into the success of him who occupies this position, I have endeavored to get acquainted with the pastors of my District and to come into intimate relations with as many of the churches as possible. I am glad to say that I have had many more invitations to speak than I could possibly accept; that the pastors have been uniformly courteous and cordial; and that what I have had to say on the work we are doing in Cuba and Porto Rico, and the evangelizing of the foreigners who are coming to our shores in ever-increasing numbers, has been received with much interest. By attending Associations, Conferences and Conventions, and by the distribution of literature and personal correspondence I have sought to bring the people into prayerful and sympathetic touch with the Society and its work.

There are in this District 1,063 churches, 940 in New York and 123 in Northern New Jersey. Contributions have been received from 546 of these. Of the non-contributing churches, 150 are without pastors, 26 are German and contribute through the German Conference, 222 are weak churches, many of them receiving aid from the State Convention, and 27 are colored.

It seems to me that every church, whether self-supporting or not, should, for its own sake, have a part in this great work. Their participation in the bringing of North America to Christ would be an inspiration to them. It would broaden their outlook, call forth their sympathies and prayers, and be to them a means of grace and enlargement. It would be found to be true that "There is that giveth and yet increaseth, and there is that withholdeth more than is meet and it tendeth to poverty." As to the churches that have pastors, and are self-supporting I have no hesita-

tion in saying that their failure to contribute to the Societies' work is due in most instances to the indifference of the pastors themselves. Wherever there is a live pastor with the true missionary spirit, we receive not only regular but liberal offerings for the work.

We hope during the year upon which we have entered to bring every church into line by personal visitation, correspondence, and the appointment of Association Secretaries. Mrs. E. G. Wheeler has rendered very efficient aid during a portion of the year in the western part of New York State. The following is the financial statement for the year.

Total Contributions from the Churches.....	\$29,670 87
Total Contributions from the Sunday Schools.....	956 52
Total Contributions from Young People's Societies.....	391 45
Total Contributions from Missionary Societies.....	157 83
Total Contributions from Individuals.....	111,855 48
Total Contributions from Legacies.....	16,330 72
Total Contributions from Annuities and Trust Funds.....	23,512 27

Total from all sources.....	\$182,875 14
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Total from all sources last year.....	247,814 83
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Decrease this year.....	\$64,939 69
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Comparative statement of receipts for New York:

Received from Churches this year.....	\$24,750 44
Received from Churches last year.....	27,584 49

Decrease this year	\$2,834 05
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Received from Sunday Schools this year.....	746 23
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Received from Sunday Schools last year.....	1,172 83
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Decrease this year	\$426 60
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Received from Young People's Societies this year.....	\$339 65
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Received from Young People's Societies last year.....	822 98
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Decrease this year	\$483 33
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Received from Woman's Societies this year.....	\$157 83
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Received from Woman's Societies last year.....	49 01
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Increase this year	\$108 82
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Received from Individuals this year	\$111,278 48
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Received from Individuals last year....	182,032 64
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Decrease this year	\$70,754 16
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Received from Legacies this year.....	\$16,285 72
Received from Legacies last year.....	14,451 23
Increase this year	\$1,834 49
Received from Annuity and Trust Fund this year.....	\$20,512 27
Received from Annuity and Trust Fund last year.....	13,786 75
Increase this year	\$6,725 52
Comparative statement for Northern New Jersey.	
Received from Churches this year.....	\$4,920 53
Received from Churches last year.....	5,210 15
Decrease this year	\$289 62
Received from Sunday Schools this year	\$210 29
Received from Sunday Schools last year.....	250 39
Decrease this year	\$40 10
Received from Young People's Societies this year.....	\$51 80
Received from Young People's Societies last year.....	72 80
Decrease this year	\$21 00
Received from Individuals this year.....	\$577 00
Received from Individuals last year.....	881 50
Decrease this year	\$304 50
Received from Legacies this year	\$45 00
Received from Legacies last year.....	1,500 00
Decrease this year	\$1,455 00
Received from Annuities this year	\$3,000 00
Received from Annuities last year.....	None
Increase this year	\$3,000 00

The marked diminution in individual gifts can be accounted for by the unusually large designated offerings of last year.

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT: PENNSYLVANIA, SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY,
DELAWARE, MARYLAND, AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

E. B. PALMER, D.D., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

Two important changes have taken place in this district during the year. One the permanent setting off of the churches in the Monmouth Association, New Jersey, to the New York district, making an annual decrease in the receipts of about \$400. The other, the temporary commitment to the District Secretary of West Virginia, which was made in August and continued until November, when the Rev. John S. Stump was appointed District Secretary for that State. The friends of the Society are to be congratulated on securing so able a representative for the position. Our enlarged acquaintance with the brethren of West Virginia was made delightful by the cordial welcome on their part. We should have been glad to have continued the relation had it been possible to work the field effectively in connection with this district.

The many manifestations of the continued and cordial support of ministers and laymen in the Philadelphia District are hereby most gratefully acknowledged.

The Rev. A. B. Rudd, our efficient and consecrated missionary of Ponce, Porto Rico, spent several weeks with us last Fall, addressing churches and associations. He was everywhere received as a brother beloved and welcome for his works' sake. His visit is held in grateful remembrance.

Special attention has been given to the circulation of the *Monthly* and the *Bulletin*. Their value is such in the information they furnish as to our home field that pastors and churches should make a more extended use of them.

The total receipts for the year from all sources is \$24,271.88. From Pennsylvania, \$18,377.83; Southern New Jersey, \$3,028.72; Delaware, \$572.41; District of Columbia, \$1,200.68; Maryland, \$2.00; West Virginia, \$1,090.23.

The analysis of receipts as compared with the previous year is as follows:

Total from churches this year.....	\$12,510 47
Total from churches last year.....	13,257 07
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Decrease	\$746 60

Total from individuals this year.....	\$7,133 20
Total from individuals last year.....	7,397 55
Decrease	264 35
Total from Sunday Schools this year.....	\$688 21
Total from Sunday Schools last year.....	612 01
Increase	\$76 20
Total from Young People's Societies this year.....	\$157 93
Total from Young People's Societies last year.....	195 39
Decrease	\$37 46
Total from other organizations this year.....	\$160 87
Total from other organizations last year.....	462 58
Decrease	\$301 71
Total from annuities this year.....	\$3,000 00
Total from annuities last year.....	1,000 00
Increase	\$2,000 00
Total from legacies this year.....	\$621 20
Total from legacies last year.....	4,829 47
Decrease	\$4,208 27
Total from all sources this year.....	\$24,271 88
Total from all sources last year.....	27,754 05
Decrease	\$3482 17

The annual succession of storms in February and March seriously interfered with the offerings in many churches. A number are carried over to the next year, among them one from one of our most liberal churches.

There has been an increase in Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia, and a falling off in New Jersey owing to the loss from the district of the Monmouth Association, and in Delaware from the passing away of Mr. William H. Gregg, a lifelong and most generous supporter of the Society.

The amount received from legacies was never so small. The number of contributing churches is 545 against 560 last year, the difference being represented by the Monmouth Association. Sunday Schools this year 57, last year 50. Young People's societies 28, this year 31. Personal this year 74, last year 56.

A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE.

It is now nearly eighteen years since my appointment as Secretary of the Philadelphia District. These years have brought some things into my experience that may not be unworthy of note. In the first place I have found the position more exacting than anticipated, and am satisfied that no one can appreciate the demands of the service without thorough personal acquaintance with it. There is, of course, the presentation of the Society's work at Associations and other public gatherings which at certain seasons of the year absorb the utmost of time and strength. It is true that only a brief time can, in the nature of the case, be allotted to any one Society, but the visit has great value in bringing the Society's representative into personal relations to Pastors and delegates—a matter of special value in subsequent correspondence. Then all through the year there is the presentation of the work done and to be done to churches, Young People's Societies and Sunday Schools.

The office work is also a large factor. Before the adoption of the wheel plan communications were sent to all the churches setting forth the needs of the field, and calling attention to points especially to be noted with samples of literature. Under the present method this is done at the beginning of each period in which offerings for the Society are taken. Then after sufficient time has elapsed a friendly reminder is sent to the churches not heard from, in order that the interests of our Home Mission cause may not be overlooked. A wide and constant correspondence has to be kept up, inquiries answered, literature furnished, not merely of a general character, but on special phases of the work as demanded in the study of different fields. The keeping of accounts both general and special, and promoting the circulation of the Society's publications in order that our membership may be kept informed of the claims upon them as Christians. Our ministerial ranks are constantly receiving new accessions. They come from other communions unacquainted with our methods, from the various walks of life without much previous preparation, and from our Institutions of learning. Some of these, at least, need to have the work of the Society brought to their attention so as to have anything like an adequate conception of it. Aside from this there is always a large contingent of our churches in the course of the year without pastors at the time the offerings are due. These, the stronger as well as the weaker,

have to be looked after or the contributions will lapse. As the year draws to a close the whole field has to be gone carefully over and all non-contributing churches reminded in a courteous way that no offering has been received from them, and urged to see to it that they have a present and practical participation in the work the Master has assigned to his people.

Legacies often left to the Society must be looked after, copies of Wills secured, and the interests of the Society followed up so that losses are not sustained through the negligence of executors and the occasional purpose of parties interested to defeat the Will of the testators. Real Estate has at times to be managed, rents collected and property sold.

Not a little time is required in special study of the various conditions of our great field. The development and growth of the country have been so marked, new sections taken up by settlers, the vast immigrant population in city and country, our island possessions, and the people who have been brought within the immediate sphere of our influence, make a demand for up-to-date information so as to bring before the churches their privilege as well as their responsibility to see that a New Testament faith moulds these crude masses into harmony with the fundamental principles of our Christianity and National life. One cannot be in this position without feeling the urgency of the great problem with which our common faith is concerned while the peculiar needs of our colored population in their ignorance and their hard struggle with the new conditions into which they have been brought, must be pondered in the hopeful anticipation of something better for them in the days to come. Experience demonstrates that no one can be fully alive to these great interests without special attention to them. Pastors are too busy to adequately measure the demands, even of the cities and states in which they live, and if the services of some one appointed for that purpose are required to keep these before the people, how much more the larger questions that concern the nation as a whole.

The personal element is also a great factor in work of this sort. It will always be so, so long as men are what they are. While the cause of missions is one and the end for which we are all struggling is the winning of the whole world to Christ, no intelligent conception of the work in hand can be awakened without specific attention to the separate divisions into which humanity naturally falls. No more significant illustration of the value of personality and of the results arising therefrom can be found than is seen in two neighboring states. Pennsylvania has a little more than twice the Baptist constituency of New Jersey, while New Jersey has a proportionate advantage in the point of wealth. Yet Pennsylvania has raised in the years past three times the amount of money for ministerial education that has been given in New Jersey. Pennsylvania has through the entire history of its Education Society had a personal representative on the field, while New Jersey has depended upon pastors to secure funds

for this object. In times of special urgency and debt raising, an intimate and personal knowledge of our Baptist constituency is absolutely required in order to secure the active support that the Society imperatively needs to relieve it from embarrassment and provide for the enlargement of the work in the future. I have found the demand up to the measure of my strength and beyond it. One can do his utmost in a position of this nature and find plenty of room for regret that more has not been possible. I cannot close this statement without expressing my profound appreciation of the constant and sympathetic support of brethren in the ministry and in our churches. Whatever success has been attained is due largely to this.

THE LAKE DISTRICT: MICHIGAN AND OHIO.

E. H. E. JAMESON, D.D., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

With this report, the secretary of this district counts twelve years of continuous service for our Home Mission Society. Though many thousands of miles have been traveled and many sermons and addresses have been delivered, the service rendered cannot be estimated by figures. Anxiety for the cause, disappointments over unrealized results, the failures to make churches understand and appreciate the greatness and importance of the work, cannot be expressed in words.

With a decline of spirituality in some churches, however, and the great opposition of worldly and ungodly forces, it is a matter for thankfulness that so much has been accomplished from year to year.

The churches and pastors need to be reminded continually of their duty. One visit of the District Secretary may get a church into sympathy and coöperation with the work for the time being, but a change of pastors and the absence of the Society's representative for two or three years may cause a lapse in interest and a consequent falling off in contributions. Our Systematic Benevolence Plan, with the Rotary attachment is working well in Michigan and keeping many churches in line which otherwise might neglect their duty.

In Ohio the contributing churches have plans, though not in all cases the Systematic Plan suggested; but the great trouble is with those churches that have no plans and no missionary spirit. The whole number of churches in this district is 1,075, with a membership of 114,949.

The number contributing to Home Missions last year was 414. This is a painfully small number, but when it is stated that in Ohio there are 147 negro churches with 12,910 members that gave nothing, and that in Ohio there are 98 churches without pastors, and in Michigan 80, that are also pastorless, there is a degree of palliation.

It may be of interest to state that in Ohio two pastors serve five

churches each; five pastors serve four churches each; fourteen pastors serve three churches each, and thirty-four pastors serve two churches each.

With this condition in the pastorate, it cannot be expected that these pastors will urge their churches to take missionary offerings with regularity. The preaching which these churches have, at long intervals, is good, no doubt, but there is reason to fear it is not the kind that should arouse an interest in missions. The plan of Associational Secretaries will be tried the coming year in Ohio, and it is hoped, with encouraging results.

In Michigan, there has been for several years a Special Board of Home Missions appointed by the State Convention to aid the District Secretary in his work. There is some reason to believe that this Board in past years has been appointed as complimentary and honorary, rather than for utility and helpfulness. At present, however, it is different. The District Secretary has some voice in the selection of his helpers, and through them is endeavoring to make a thorough canvass of the Associations by districts. Some good results are already apparent.

The year has resulted as follows:—

MICHIGAN.

182 Churches have contributed.....	\$2,784.48
20 Sunday Schools have contributed	101.26
20 Young Peoples' Societies have contributed.....	85.24
The Michigan Womens' H. M. Society have contributed.....	530.25
7 German Churches have contributed.....	294.23
Individual and miscellaneous gifts.....	1,375.49
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	\$5,170.49
2 Legacies	860.00
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Total	\$6,030.49

OHIO.

216 Churches contributed	\$4,983.64
19 Sunday Schools contributed.....	235.11
16 Young People's Societies contributed.....	76.95
Women's Circles contributed.....	189.38
8 German Churches contributed.....	461.20
Individual and miscellaneous.....	1,187.83
1 Legacy	2,000.00
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Total	\$9,134.11

GRAND TOTAL.

Michigan	\$6,030.49
Ohio	9,134.11
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	\$15,164.60

Including individual gifts and legacies, there is a gratifying increase in the amount contributed over last year.

The personal work of the District Secretary during the year has been 52 sermons preached, 81 addresses delivered, 68 churches visited, 36 prayer meetings attended, 28 associations attended, and 32 other public meetings. He has made 20 religious visits, administered the Lord's Supper 6 times, and aided in dedicating 2 churches.

Has taken \$32 and upwards in subscriptions to the *Home Mission Monthly*, *Home Mission Bulletin*, and *Home Mission Echoes*, besides writing 2,600 letters and traveling 16,283 miles.

This Secretary desires to thank the brethren and friends in his district, who by their kindness and courtesy during these many years, have made his service so pleasant.

WABASH DISTRICT: INDIANA AND SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

REV. SCHUYLER C. FULMER, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

This district includes the whole of Indiana and that part of Illinois south of the city of Bloomington. There are in the district 59 associations containing 1,198 churches, 168 of which have all time preaching, 12 have three-fourths time, 204 one-half time, 637 one-fourth time (once a month), and 177 have no regular preaching. Four hundred and ninety of the number are on the railroads and 708 are located in the country, and many of them are very difficult of access, especially in the time of bad roads. There are 115 anti-mission (regular hardshell) churches in the district, as best I can learn. The name tells their influence. The above facts are divided between the states as follows: Indiana, 515 churches—99 all time, 7 three-fourths, 114 one-half, 201 one-fourth, 94 no regular preaching, 238 on the railroad, 277 off the railroad, and 47 anti-mission churches. Southern Illinois, 683 churches—69 all time, 5 three-fourths, 90 one-half, 436 one-fourth, 83 no regular preaching; 252 on the railroad, 431 off the railroad, and 68 anti-mission churches.

A consideration of the above in connection with the knowledge that the District Secretary must keep in touch and active sympathy with the stronger churches to whom we must look for most of the income; that he needs continually to extend and strengthen his acquaintance with Baptists of means, if he is to have any opportunity to call their attention to

the duty and privilege of making larger personal gifts, remembering the Society in their wills, or placing annuity funds in its hands; that many, very many of the most loyal and devoted pastors feel and insist that they must have the Secretary with them and their churches occasionally for the special instruction, encouragement, and inspiration he brings; and that the Secretary has an almost endless amount of office work to do all show how utterly impossible it is for him to reach hundreds of these country and village churches as they should be and must be reached, if they are ever to know about Home Missions and be interested enough in the work to give to it. Then, too, once going will not accomplish it. The visitor needs to return every year or two for several years. I have been in this work in this district for six years and know whereof I speak. Many of the pastors who do not say or do anything about an offering themselves will gladly welcome me or tell me to go to their churches, as most of the men serving part time churches do not live on the field. In fact, almost without exception, the pastors treat me most cordially at the associations or wherever I meet them, and the churches receive me heartily. No one can fully understand the conditions that has not been in actual contact with them. Some of these pastors are young and inexperienced, others are feeling the effects of age and infirmity, hundreds of them are chosen only for one year, which means twelve Sundays spent with the church unless they are continued another year; large numbers of them are farmers or are engaged in other lines of business, many are not sufficiently acquainted with the work of Home Missions to present it intelligently and interestingly, and say they have not the time to inform themselves—at least they do not do it; others say they see their churches so few times during the year that they can not take the time needed for other subjects to present the mission causes. Most of these brethren are good men at heart and will open the way for a special representative and aid him if they are present at the time of his visit. Some of them, I am glad to say, have found methods by which they do the work themselves.

I should have authority to employ on reasonable pay for the time used some local brother in the less developed associations to make a trip among the churches in his association under my direction. He should make addresses, distribute literature, take subscriptions for the *Monthly*, and start clubs for the *Bulletin*, get names and addresses of Baptists of means, and secure a good church secretary in each church through whom the church could be reached the next year. Such men could be had at slight expense. I have an Association Secretary in each association, but these men do not always have the time nor could I expect them to make extended trips without remuneration. We never shall make matters any better than they are except as we reach the pastors and churches person-

ally. I do as much such work as possible and always have much success, but my time will permit me to do little of such touring, if the revenue is to be kept up from other sources and increased from year to year. The churches listen with great interest to the work of the Society when told in an interesting way, and they give an offering at the close of the address, if asked for it in the right way and spirit.

Many pastors and churches will attend to the offering without the aid of the Secretary only as he aids them from his office and in general gatherings, but the majority will not. It will be noted that only 14 per cent. of the churches have preaching each Sunday, and that the number without any regular preaching is larger; there are also many in the other classes that are pastorless, for longer or shorter periods, when changes of pastor occur. It will be noticed that 53 per cent. of the churches have preaching only one Sunday in the month, and that about one-sixth of the churches have preaching only two Sundays in the month.

My personal work is partially represented by the following: Addresses made, 166; sermons preached, 16; prayer meetings attended, 20; other meetings attended, 83; churches visited, 80; associational meetings attended, personally, 28, and by proxy, 31; attended two State Conventions and was present at the May Anniversaries in Springfield, Mass.; letters written, 1,547; postals written, 296; circular letters sent out, 575; mimeograph letters, 1,200; miles traveled, 17,726; annual reports of the Society distributed, 176; copies of the *Home Mission Monthly* given away, 1,356, and of the *Bulletin*, 7,423; pages of literature distributed, 320,096; mimeographs sent out, 482; personal calls made, 100; personal visits made, 130; new subscribers to the *Monthly* secured, 166; renewals to the *Monthly* taken, 152; subscribers to the *Bulletin* sent to the Rooms since the beginning of its publication fifteen months ago, 1,992 five-cent subscriptions and 228 ten-cent subscriptions.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—IN INDIANA.

14 B Y P Unions gave.....	\$64 25
20 Sunday Schools gave	102 15
53 personal gifts amounted to.....	392 30
327 Churches gave	2,787 20
2 Women's Mission Circles gave.....	12 90
1 Associational meeting collection	3 68
Total	\$3,362 48
Total last year.....	3,457 16
Decrease this year	\$94 68

IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

16 B. Y. P. Unions gave.....	\$72 75
18 Sunday Schools gave.....	111 41
79 personal gifts amounted to.....	364 89
237 Churches gave	1,614 55
5 Women's Mission Circles gave.....	25 00
6 Associational collections amounted to.....	27 64
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Total	2,216 24
Total last year.....	2,425 17
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Decrease this year.....	\$208 93

IN THE DISTRICT.

Total from all sources this year.....	\$11,328 72
Total from all sources last year.....	13,464 53
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Decrease this year	\$2,135 81
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Total from churches this year.....	\$4,401 75
Total from churches last year.....	4,381 26
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Increase this year	\$20 49
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Total from individuals this year	\$757 19
Total from individuals last year	1,049 26
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Decrease this year	\$292 07

Total from Sunday Schools this year.....	\$213 56
Total from Sunday Schools last year.....	231 83
Decrease this year.....	\$18 27
Total from B. Y. P. Unions this year.....	\$137 00
Total from B. Y. P. Unions last year.....	171 93
Decrease this year.....	\$34 93
2 Special personal gifts in Indiana of.....	\$5,500 00
Annuity fund in Indiana of.....	50 00
A legacy in Illinois of.....	200 00
Increase in special personal gifts this year of.....	\$3,500 00
Decrease in legacies this year of.....	4,382 20
Decrease in Annuity funds this year of.....	950 00

There were 19 less B. Y. P. Unions, 18 less Sunday Schools, 25 less persons, and 77 less churches that gave this year than last. This year there was an increase in the amount given by the churches of \$20.49 though 77 less gave; but last year there was an increase of \$402.37 from the churches over the previous year. Mrs. E. G. Wheeler assisted me for ten months last year, working more in Illinois than in Indiana, thus greatly increasing the number of churches visited and the personal contact with the givers, which is no small factor. Other causes of the falling off are the severe drought of last summer, the special effort now being made in Indiana to raise \$5,000 to meet a like amount given by Mr. Simon Yandes for the permanent State Mission Fund, and also the effort to raise \$20,000 for the endowment of the Greek Professorship at Franklin College. These two "specials" are both worthy objects in themselves, but have had their effect on regular objects. Five thousand dollars of the two special personal gifts noted above came to the Society from Mr. Simon Yandes, which we gratefully acknowledge in this public way.

CHICAGO DISTRICT : NORTHERN ILLINOIS AND WISCONSIN.

JUDSON B. THOMAS, D.D., CHICAGO, ILL., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

In closing my books for the year I note that 271 Churches have contributed \$7,770.18; 29 Sunday Schools, \$267.69; 28 Young People's Societies, \$105.31; 34 individuals, \$2,038.62, and 8 estates, \$3,619.41. There has been 1 annuity of \$2,000.00 and \$22.15 from other organizations. There has gone to New York directly from this district without coming

through this office \$1,453.24. This makes a total of \$15,967.40. The gain in money sent through this office has been \$155.55, while the decrease in contributions from the entire district has been \$350.91. The difference is to be found in part in the variations of the money sent directly to New York.

With the bettering of the times and the more healthy financial atmosphere, we had a right to expect larger returns, but that expectation has not materialized. We have received much more largely from individuals while there has been a slight decrease in the offerings of the churches. The income from legacies has decreased about \$3,000.00. In considering the net receipts of the year, this factor forms no unimportant part. Coöperation between the Home Mission Society and the Illinois Swedish Conference and also with the City Mission Society is maintained with pleasantness and profit. New missionary fields are being entered and the spirit of hopefulness characterizes the work. During the year we have purchased a permanent property for our Polish work, and several of our mission churches have built, or are in the process of erecting, houses of worship. Through the beneficence of an interested brother, an Italian missionary is seeking to inaugurate work among that nationality in this city. The conditions of the work in this district are healthy and the coöperation of my brethren is an inspiration.

In this report it has occurred to me that it might be well to indicate in a few paragraphs some of the few things that one District Secretary seeks to accomplish.

In my work I seek constantly to be an assistant to pastors and a helper to the churches. The average pastor of to-day lives under a constant tremendous pressure. The demands made upon him are varied and taxing. His strength is absorbed by local demands. For his own sake as well as that of his people, he must be enlisted in things beyond the range of mere local engagements. He is usually ready and eager for this because he knows it is fundamentally Christian. The exceptions have been very rare where pastors are not thankful for such help.

If the overworked pastor needs this outside help at times, many of the churches do vastly more. The average member knows comparatively little what religious and missionary movements are going on in the world and what progress these movements are making. Sometimes he would rather not be informed. But he *must* be if ever he is to grow. After the larger vision is gained he is invariably thankful and enthusiastic. If he has been prosperous that prosperity has now a new purpose given to it and he is a larger man. To this work for his members, the pastor is seeking constantly to give himself, but in the very nature of the case in the age in which we are living, he can be greatly aided by a wise helper from without. The necessity of specialism in missions seems to be an

outgrowth of the times. At all events we have to-day specialists in every sphere of life; in commerce, in science, in education; even in athletics and sports.

Most churches need some outside helper to aid them in the maintenance of a regular missionary schedule when they have no shepherding pastor. As a rule, pastorates are short—not infrequently the interregnum between pastorates is long. Great loss accrues to the churches as well as to our missionary work without careful guarding at this point. In this work neighboring pastors can seldom assist.

There are prospered individuals in our churches and in towns where no Baptist Churches exist, who at times seek counsel of one engaged in distinctively missionary work, regarding their wills or the immediate expenditure of a sum of money for some distinctive work. Many times they prefer to keep their plans from the people of their own neighborhood. During the past year one such trip was made when \$500.00 in cash was secured and wills were caused to be made which may be expected to net to our denomination an equivalent to the salary of one of our secretaries for many years of service. In this instance there was no Baptist Church in the town, nor were the parties members of any Baptist Church.

In the settlement of estates, the most careful sagacity and watchfulness is at times required on the part of a representative of a missionary society. Executors and administrators are not always interested in bequests to religious objects. Even heirs, and especially if they are distant, will at times seek to thwart the wish of the testator. Important interests are at stake constantly and require persistent and strenuous attention and much time.

The attendance of the secretarial force on Associations is a most arduous task. It has been suggested that one Secretary could represent all the missionary interests at an Association. I once thought so, but I do not now. When it is remembered that at the Association one meets the rank and file of the membership of the churches as at no other gatherings, then appears the importance of emphasizing the entire work of the denomination—setting before the people in panoramic vision every detail and department, so far as possible, by those who are well posted and deeply interested. Some may be dazed at the extensiveness and variety of the work. Large sweeps of vision are always ill-suited to some. But a solid permanent impression of the greatness of the fields to be occupied and of the efforts of the denomination to cover these, will be carried back to the churches. But for the presence of some of my secretarial brethren at some Associational gatherings, the visions of service and success would not have gotten beyond the Association limits and little denominational influence and pride would have remained either in the community or the Association.

In addition to the above, the care of an office in a central metropolitan city taxes greatly one's time and energy. Besides correspondence and detail work, a large procession of brethren go through each year for whom it is a pleasure to perform such services as will be of real value to them. In the office careful and prayerful conferences are held regarding special work and the advancement of the Kingdom. For the past six years the demands of the office work have increased materially. In addition to these demands of the office, the Secretary ordinarily covers two or more places in the field each Sunday, besides keeping such evening engagements during the week as may appear practical and profitable.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT—MINNESOTA, NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA.

O. A. WILLIAMS, D.D., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

In this District only a part of the Secretary's time is given to the work of collecting funds, for it is his duty also to have the oversight of the missionary work of the Society in coöperation with the State Conventions and the general missionaries in the three States. His duties as District Secretary are confined to Minnesota and the Dakotas. The offerings of the churches in these States for the general work of the Society are not large. This is not due to a lack of the missionary spirit, or the grace of liberality, but rather to the existing conditions. These States are strictly Home Mission fields. Many of the churches are small. Minnesota has 258 Baptist Churches. Of these 48 have less than 20 members, 78 less than 50 members, and only 85 have over 100 members. South Dakota has 106 churches. There are in the State only 19 with over 100 members, and 35 with 20 or less. North Dakota has only two American churches with over 100 members. The question of existence is a serious one with many of them, to say nothing of carrying on the legitimate work of the church. The contributions for State Convention work in these states is large, averaging in Minnesota 50 cents per member, and in the Dakotas over 40 cents. Since in these coöperating States the offerings for State Convention are sent to the Treasurer of the Society in New York to be expended for missionary work within the borders of the State making the contribution, it is difficult for many to perceive the distinction between Home Missions within, and the larger work without the State. The work of the Secretary is, therefore, largely educative. He has endeavored at Conventions and Associations, by personal visitation to the churches and by correspondence, to explain the difference, and to awaken an interest in the larger work.

The Secretary becomes a link between the churches and the Society.

There are some pastors who are so absorbed with the duties of the home field, that, were it not for the visits or letters of the Secretary, the attention of these fields would not be called to the regions beyond. There are a few who hesitate to present the larger claims of missions, because of debts and financial embarrassment in carrying on the local work. They prefer to call upon the Secretary to do this. Without his services the offering, in many instances, would be omitted altogether.

There are many pastors at the beginning of their ministry who have not had the opportunity to study and to know the workings of the missionary organizations of the denomination and their distinctive fields and work. These brethren, whose hearts are in the work, look to the Secretary for information and instruction; and, as a result of a visit from him, the horizon of their vision is widened, and their interest in the work is deepened. A promising young man, recently ordained as pastor of a small church, but a church known for its liberality, after listening to the presentation by the Secretary of the larger work of Home Missions, remarked with much candor and sincerity: "There was no one in the house that needed that sermon as much as I did. I knew nothing about the work." His eagerness to know more, as evidenced by the questions he afterwards asked, showed how his interest in the work had been thoroughly aroused.

There are always many churches without pastors. Even where there is a systematic plan for benevolence, they are likely at such a time to call upon the Secretary to present the claims of Missions. Where no system of benevolence is attempted, the offerings are apt to be neglected altogether, unless the church is reminded of its duty by a visit or a letter from the Secretary.

Even where the claims of the Missionary Society have been presented, either by the pastor or by its authorized representatives, it invariably happens that many who are interested in the work are absent on that particular day, and often, if the matter is called to the attention of these individuals, it has to be done by a visit, or a communication from the Secretary.

There are many other interests of the Society needing the attention of a special representative, such as annuity funds, legacies, loans on chapels and gifts to churches. These gifts are to be returned to the treasury of the Society when the building is sold and is no longer used for denominational purposes. It should be said, however, that the pastor is the natural leader of the church. When he himself is deeply interested in missions, his people are likely to be also. It is astonishing what can be done by wide-awake, broad-minded devoted pastors, who take these great interests on their hearts. I know of a few churches that through the influence and teaching of their pastors have in two or three years increased their contributions for Home Missions many fold. If pastors generally could and

would do this, there would be no need of collecting agencies, and there would be no lack of funds in the treasuries of our Missionary organizations.

But notwithstanding all the labors of the Secretary, through correspondence and personal visitation, in which he endeavors to impress upon all the churches the needs, importance and magnitude of the work which he represents, only a part of the churches in each State of this district make contributions for the general work of the Home Mission Society. It should be said, however, that the number which fail to make contributions for State Convention work are very few, and that these few have scarcely a name to exist; in Minnesota of the American only seven, and of the Scandinavian only four. Nearly all of the churches in the Dakotas raise for State Convention work the sums apportioned to them by the Executive Committee.

There are in this district 391 churches exclusive of the German, which do not affiliate with the State Conventions, and which report their contributions for Home Missions to the Treasurer of the Society in New York.

The contributions of the churches during the present fiscal year have been as follows:

MINNESOTA.

Churches contributing 110, of which 13 contributed only to Church Edifice work. Churches contributing last year 85.

		Last Year.
Offerings from Churches	\$1,576.45	\$1,346.96
Offerings from Sunday Schools.....	7.27	14.02
Offerings from B. Y. P. U.	4.30	14.82
Offerings from Women's Circles	30.65	41.00
Offerings from Individuals	515.00	150.00
Legacies	17.53	1,800.00
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	\$2,151.20	\$3,366.80
Church Edifice	141.73	87.12
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	\$2,292.93	\$3,453.92

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Churches contributing 21; last year 18.

		Last Year.
Offering from Churches	\$276.01	\$216.14

NORTH DAKOTA.

Churches contributing, 14; last year, 4.

		Last Year.
Offerings from Churches	\$138.45	\$48.40

SUMMARY.

Churches contributing, 145; last year, 111.

		Last Year.
Total Contributions of Upper Mississippi District..	\$2,707.39	\$3,718.46
Deducting Legacies and Church Edifice Gifts.....	\$2,548.13	\$1,831.34

There are in Minnesota 246 churches, exclusive of the German churches. Of the 136 non-contributing churches, 75 were pastorless, 64 had a membership of less than 30. There are 40 or 50 churches that make no contribution from which we might reasonably have expected something.

CENTRAL DISTRICT: IOWA, KANSAS, NEBRASKA, COLORADO, OKLAHOMA, AND INDIAN TERRITORY.

REV. D. D. PROPER, DES MOINES, IOWA, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

During the past year we have not had the usual increase in contributions. I am sorry to have to report a decrease of \$506.14 from the amount raised last year. There are a number of things to be said by way of explanation. In the first place there was a great drought last year over the greater part of Central District, which was the most severe known for several years. The crop of corn was very much reduced everywhere, and on many thousands of acres in Kansas and Nebraska not a bushel was gathered. This caused many farmers to sell a part of their stock at a great sacrifice in order to be able to keep the rest.

A change in the plans from the regular bi-monthly or quarterly "period" collections, to the "budget" system, was the cause of losing several amounts. In nine churches in Iowa, we lost \$323.19, from amounts given the previous year, by the change of pastors, just when the offerings should have been taken. In eight other churches in the same State, where they were building new meeting-houses, paying debts, and in one case carrying a local mission enterprise, we lost \$153.21 from the previous year. There were others, but these were among our best contributing churches. In one church in Colorado we lost \$78.75 because of raising a burdensome debt.

In Oklahoma and Indian Territories, the benevolent work is not systematized as in the older parts of the district, and the churches have as a whole never yet been brought into general coöperation with the Society, in taking collections for its National work. In these Territories there is a condition of affairs in Home Mission work, different from the States in the district. The churches are in coöperation with both the Home Mission Society and the Board of Southern Baptist Convention, and a number of them divide their offerings.

Then the very vigorous canvass made for educational funds in the three principal States, has no doubt in some measure affected all our benevolences the past year. Especially has this been true in Iowa (where nearly one-half our Home Mission contributions come from), in the victory achieved for Des Moines College, in which we all rejoice. Then added to this in Iowa, where our greatest falling off has been, is the condition of our State Convention, where a debt has been incurred during the first year of attempting self support. A heroic effort is being made to bring up the State work so as to get out of debt, and adequately help many weak and needy churches.

It is to be noted that the decline in contributions from the churches direct was only \$156.46, the balance being from the auxiliary societies.

THE TILLAGE OF THIS FIELD.

In view of the magnitude of this district, I am often led to say to myself "what is one among so many"? According to the year-book, there are 2,118 Baptist Churches in these States and Territories. Between 400 and 500 of them are pastorless on an average all the time, with constant changes taking place. With the large amount of correspondence concerning many phases of the work, including acknowledgement of remittances and receipts therefor; the sending out of letters of information, literature, and envelopes; the keeping of books and making reports, a District Secretary cannot be in the field all the time. I find that my averages of visits for three years to churches and associations, and conventions, and general meetings of various kinds, are respectively 119 and 35 per year. I find that I can go to New York City from the eastern side of this district quicker, and with a less number of miles than I can go to some of the western points of this field. This is comparatively a new field for the cultivation of Home Mission Society offerings. Many do not recognize the difference between this and the State Convention work. There is great need for constant dissemination of information regarding the work.

I am trying to avail myself of the help of an Associational Secretary where it is practicable, and the coöperation of every pastor possible, and yet very many are not personally reached by a presentation of the great

work of the Society when there are between 400 and 500 without pastors. Then again, there are many other cases where the churches have pastors who have recently settled, or where they have so often presented the various benevolences, that the pastors request the Secretary to come and present the work for a change, and it proves very helpful in reinforcing the pastor's work. It is a sad fact to contemplate, but nevertheless a truth, that there are many thousands of our brethren and sisters in the churches who have never yet become really identified with the work of the evangelization of the world, outside of a limited circle in which they move. The faithful pastor has a very hard task in very many instances to secure respectable offerings. A number of faithful pastors have told me with heaviness of heart of their disappointments and failures, while some have been led to change their fields of labor on this account. I now have on file a letter from a pastor to come to his church in order to get his people more thoroughly enlisted in the work, which was received weeks ago, and I have not been able yet to make the visit. ,

There is a very important work in soliciting individuals for large contributions, of which I have not been able to do much yet, for lack of time

PERSONAL LABORS.

A summary of my work for the year is as follows, viz: Visits to churches, 108; associations, conventions, and conferences attended, 41; sermons preached, 68, addresses, 88; letters written, 3,771; postal cards, 617; mimeograph letters sent, 1,145; printed leaflets and documents distributed, 49,600; miles traveled, 37,482; articles written for publication, 25. Secured 400 subscriptions for the *Bulletin* and 23 for *Home Mission Monthly*.

ANALYSIS OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CHURCHES.

1 The whole number of churches in the district as reported in the year-book, 2,118. After deducting 566 for Negroes, Indians, and small churches having a precarious existence, there are left 1,552, upon which I base my estimates. And yet one Blanket Indian church has sent in \$105.00 this year.

2. The whole number of churches making contributions this year as churches, outside of auxiliary societies, is 576, which is a gain of 56 contributing churches for the year. Of this number, 190 gave more than for the previous year, and 165 gave less amounts. Churches to the number of 270 gave this year which did not last year; and 158 gave last year which did not give this year

3. The churches which made no collections, except a very few by Sun-

day School offerings, number 976. Of this number, 532 had pastors, and 444 were pastorless. After deducting 476 of the non-contributing churches, which because of being pastorless, or small membership, might have some excuse for not giving, there remains 500 churches mostly with pastors, from whom we might reasonably expect contributions.

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

IOWA.

Contributing churches.....	186
Churches not contributing.....	226
Churches not contributing, with pastors.....	130
Offerings from the churches.....	\$3,270 31
Offerings from individuals.....	985 50
Offerings from 71 Sunday Schools.....	370 09
Offerings from 11 Young People's Societies.....	63 54
Offerings from 1 Woman's Society.....	4 30
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Total	\$4,693 74
Total last year outside annuities, legacies.....	\$5,343 26
Decrease	\$649 52
(Gain of 3 contributing churches.)	

KANSAS.

Churches contributing	188
Churches not contributing	227
Churches not contributing, with pastors.....	116
Offerings from the churches.....	\$1,925 35
Offerings from individuals	111 00
Offerings from 36 Sunday Schools.....	104 87
Offerings from 8 Young People's Societies.....	21 70
Offerings from 2 Woman's Societies.....	4 78
Offerings from Colored Associations.....	11 28
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Total	\$2,178 93
Total last year	\$2,533 05
Decrease	\$354 12
(Gain of 24 contributing churches.)	

NEBRASKA.

Churches contributing	105
Churches not contributing	107
Churches not contributing, with pastors.....	57
Offerings from the churches.....	\$1,249 41
Offerings from individuals.....	300 00
Offerings from 29 Sunday Schools.....	145 86
Offerings from 5 Young People's Societies.....	12 91
Offerings from 2 Woman's Societies	25 00
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Total	\$1,733 18
Total last year.....	\$1,240 30
Increase	\$492 88

(Gain of 9 contributing churches.)

COLORADO.

Churches contributing	42
Churches not contributing.....	26
Churches not contributing, with pastors.....	19
Offerings from the churches.....	\$1,077 17
Offerings from individuals.....	30 00
Offerings from 10 Sunday Schools.....	37 92
Offerings from 2 Young People's Societies.....	13 00
Offerings from 2 Woman's Societies.....	17 05
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Total	\$1,175 14
Total last year.....	\$1,334 72
Decrease	\$159 58

(Gain of 12 contributing churches.)

OKLAHOMA.

Churches contributing	25
Churches not contributing.....	120
Churches not contributing, with pastors	60
Offerings from the churches	\$ 340 58
Offerings from individuals	43 04
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Total	\$382 62
Total last year	\$433 05
Decrease	\$49 45

(Decrease of 5 contributing churches.)

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Churches contributing	30
Churches not contributing	270
Churches not contributing, with pastors (estimate).....	100
Offerings from the churches	\$448 38
Offerings from individuals	141 76
Offerings from 1 Sunday School.....	25 00
Offerings from 1 Woman's Society.....	1 55
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Total	\$616 69
Total last year	\$429 61
Increase	\$187 08
(Increase of 3 contributing churches.)	
Total receipts from 576 churches.....	\$8,348 98
Total receipts from 520 churches last year.....	8,505 44
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Decrease	\$156 46
Total receipts from 147 Sunday Schools.....	\$683 74
Total receipts from 138 Sunday Schools last year.....	786 49
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Decrease	102 75
(Gain in contributing Sunday Schools, 9.)	
Total receipts from individuals.....	\$1,611 30
Total receipts from individuals last year.....	1,586 58
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Increase	\$24 72
Total receipts from 26 Young People's Societies.....	\$111 15
Total receipts from 34 Young People's Societies last year.....	181 31
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Decrease from 8 Young People's Societies this year.....	\$70 16
Total receipts from 7 Woman's Societies.....	\$52 68
Total receipts from 14 Woman's Societies last year.....	45 31
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Increase this year.	7 37
(Decrease 7 societies last year.)	
Total receipts from all sources.....	\$10,807 85
Total receipts from all sources last year, outside of annuities and legacies	11,313 99
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Decrease this year.....	\$506 14

PACIFIC DISTRICT—MONTANA, IDAHO, WASHINGTON, OREGON, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA AND ALASKA.

C. A. WOODY, D.D., DISTRICT SECRETARY.

For eighteen years I have lived and labored as a minister in the limits of the District named above. During the last seven years I have given a portion of my time to the Society in the work of District Secretary, giving the rest of my time to other work. During four years while serving as editor of the *Pacific Baptist* I gave a stipulated part of my time to the interests of the Society. Upon the death of Dr H. C. Woods three years since I was appointed as his successor in the work of Superintendent of Missions, and have also served as District Secretary. My long residence and wide acquaintance upon this field has brought upon me many duties to the denomination of a general character which I could not well escape and which have claimed no little strength and time.

It should also be said that the District has been changed as to its boundaries several times during the seven years in which I have served as Secretary. It now includes the States of Montana, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, California, and Nevada and the Territory of Alaska. The area of the whole is 15,000 square miles more than one-third of the entire area of the United States, and if Alaska be omitted its area is nearly one-fifth of the area of the United States. It is worthy of mention that the population of this District has increased 47 per cent. during the last ten years while the increase in the nation as a whole has been somewhat less than 21 per cent., and during the last two years the population is apparently increasing at nearly double the rate of any of the years from 1890 to 1900.

The exact number of churches in my district is difficult to ascertain, since in the weaker associations some churches practically extinct are still carried in the statistical tables and in various parts of the field are churches not yet recorded in associational lists. There are approximately 580 churches.

It is approximately the fact that not more than 300 of these have regular preaching services and pastoral care. Of this list of 300 churches not far from 100 have preaching but once each month. Many of these churches by reason of their location are very difficult of access. Traveling North it would require not far from fifteen days of steady travel to reach the most distant one; and even in California and Oregon are churches which require from four to eight days of travel to reach from my office in Portland. This fact practically precludes my visiting some of the churches and illustrates how slow is the work of visiting and cultivating this missionary field and further reveals the fact that much time will be required to fully identify many of these churches with the work of the Society.

There are a considerable number of members and not a few pastors in this district who have come to this field from States where the work of the Society is not prosecuted or presented to the churches and as a consequence they have no interest in or knowledge of its great work. No practicable method of reaching and enlisting this element in my field exists except that of personal visitation and conference, and sometimes, alas, by identifying in the mind of the church and pastor the cause with the one presenting it. It is not uncommon to receive a remittance for "the work which you represent." When pastors have had no acquaintance or interest in the work and read by preference denominational papers in which the work of the Society is never presented and only mentioned to be decried, the personal visit of some one else than a "neighboring pastor" is called for in order to secure any interest in the work of the Society. The wide separation of churches to which reference has already been made makes it out of the question to secure at any denominational gathering many of the representatives of the churches and so there is less than the usual average of denominational *esprit de corps* and even a less clear understanding of the field, work, and even the names of our great missionary organizations. Hence arises the need of some one to visit, instruct and enlist these churches in the general work of the denomination.

With these facts should be joined the further fact that a considerable number of our pastors come into the ministry from the field itself with only the interest and information generally existing in their churches and with no proper training in the methods and spirit of benevolence. Finding the strain of securing a support very trying they do not willingly undertake the raising of missionary offerings, particularly for work of which they are not well informed. In fact, it is often true that pastors are unwilling to urge upon their churches any matters involving money beyond those absolutely essential to the support of local work. I find some pastors in my field who still have a confused mind as to the distinction between Home Missions and State Missions and not a little time is required on my part to secure and maintain this distinction in practical effect in their churches. Manifestly such pastors, for the present, may not be depended upon either in their own churches or elsewhere to press vigorously the interests of the Society. For a time the District Secretary will have work to do among this class of pastors and churches.

There are, I am glad to say, an increasing number of pastors and of churches whose loyal coöperation and hearty interest in the work of the Society make possible the report of steady increase in the number of contributing churches and in the sum secured from this District for the work of the Society. But after all that they may do is done and after all that the Secretary is able to do has been done there is still a large number of churches which has, in no practical way, been reached for the work of

the Society. In fact, in these large, new, and sparsely populated States some new methods of district secretary work must be developed if a respectable majority of our churches shall become contributing churches.

One interesting feature of work is that of trying to reach and interest persons who are well to do and yet who live in communities where we have no church and where no pastor could reach them. It will be seen from annual reports of recent years that from this source in my district there has been contributed more than enough to pay all charges for the work of the District Secretary, however little the secretary may have had to do with this result. Other work done in my office has also seemed to me to justify the maintenance of the office, such as keeping corrected mailing lists of pastors and church clerks, distributing wisely literature, reports, appeals, and all other matter intended to create and maintain an interest in the work of the Society. And this clerical work would have to be done by some one, whether as wisely and thoroughly or not, even if the Society should abandon its present methods.

One other matter has claimed much time and thought during the seven years of my service for the Society in this field, and that is the preparation of special articles and addresses or papers to meet local criticisms of the work and missionary policy of the Society, and also the preparation of circular letters and such matter for the use of pastors and churches in the study of the work of the Society. Those who have known the conditions existing for the past ten years in portions of my field will agree that I have in this way spent very profitably both time and effort, and that my contribution to conditions now existing and prospective in my district particularly through the *Pacific Baptist*, and in personal correspondence, has alone justified all cost of my service during these years. Hostility and active opposition to the work of the Society is, I believe, nearly at an end and there is ground for the hope that the future is to see increasing cordiality and support for its work.

The financial results of the work of the year show a very gratifying increase over the results of the last year and for all this I have but words of gratitude to God and of thanks to pastors and churches for their enlarging effort in the interests of the Society's work. An increase of more than 50 per cent. after the increase of 80 per cent. last year is a record that we can hardly expect to equal in the future. As was the case last year, a considerable portion of this increase is due to legacies and personal contributions. But a comparison of the number of contributing churches for the two years past affords ground for rejoicing.

	Contributing Churches.	Contributed.
1900-1	112	\$2,045 00
1901-2	189	4,044 76
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Gain	77	\$1,999 76

	Contributing Sunday Schools.	Contributed.
1900-1	18	\$83 74
1901-2	23	115 20
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Gain	5	\$31 46

	Contributing Y. P. Societies.	Contributed.
1900-1	10	\$100 23
1901-2	8	54 66
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Loss	2	\$44 56

	Individual contributions and legacies.	Contributed.
1900-1	11	\$1,928 50
1901-2	25	3,594 00
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Gain	13	\$1,665 50

	Totals from all sources.
1900-1	\$4,630 67
1901-2	7,808 62
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Gain	\$3,177 95

which is a little more than 50 per cent. net gain. In addition to this it is proper to state that by the death of an annuitant of the Society, who has for some years resided on this field and who has been a regular and liberal contributor to the work of the Society, there has been released to the work of the Society \$3,000.00 additional to the above amounts.

My personal services during the year ending March 31, 1902, are as follows so far as they may be tabulated. Churches visited, 74; Associations and Conventions attended, 16; other public meetings, 52; sermons, 44;

addresses, 62; letters written, 1,334; miles traveled, 24,407; paid for traveling expenses, \$505.06; postage, \$53.86; stationary and all incidental expenses, \$181.55. Of these items and also of the salary charge for this district about two-thirds should be charged to the work of Superintendency of the mission work in this division, and included in the missionary expense account rather than in the collection expense account of the work.

Praying that the blessing of God may make enlargement and advancement possible in all departments of the work in the year to come, this report is respectfully submitted.

KANAWHA DISTRICT—WEST VIRGINIA.

REV. JOHN S. STUMP, PARKERSBURG, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

Contributions to the Society from the regular sources in West Virginia remain about the same this year as last. From special sources \$1,000 were added to the annuity fund, and \$30.93 to the permanent trust fund.

There are 578 churches belonging to white Baptist associations in West Virginia. Of these, 326 contributed to the Society this year. Of the contributing churches 307 had pastors. Of the non-contributing churches 203 had pastors. Fifty-six per cent. of all the churches contributed to Home Missions. Sixty per cent. of the churches having pastors and 29 per cent. of the pastorless churches contributed.

There are forty-nine non-contributing pastorless churches, a few of which are non-contributing because of the accident of being pastorless. Most of them, however, are nearly, or quite, beyond the reach of appeal, while some of them are practically extinct.

Of the 252 churches contributing nothing to Home Missions, 144 gave to no other benevolence and 50 gave to only one other. Of the 144 making no contribution to missions, 25 were pastorless. Of the 50 giving to only one other, 6 were pastorless. We have, therefore, 119 churches with pastors from which no contribution is made to any department of missions, and 203 such churches which give nothing to Home Missions. Of these, nearly all would contribute if asked to do so by the pastors, or if visited by a representative of the Society.

We have a good many pastors who object to their churches giving to missions because "missionary societies are unscriptural organizations." These pastors are anti-missionary and would be more at home in anti-mission churches, of which we have a good many in the state, but they are often called to churches that have been liberal contributors. The effect is, of course, disastrous.

Some pastors object to taking collections for missions, or to present-

ing arguments in favor of missions, because they are "trying to win families from anti-mission churches, and could not succeed if missionary obligation were made prominent." Some of these are easily led to see the uselessness of introducing into missionary Baptist churches anti-missionary people, but others honestly persist in their position.

Excuses are made by some that their churches are in debt; or that they are engaged in this or that enterprise; or that they contemplate some improvement; or that the church is composed of poor people, and, therefore, ought not to give to missions.

Too many pastors of non-contributing churches make no apologies nor explanations. They are not interested enough for that. They are not interested at all.

Most of these pastors, except those of the first class, are willing for the representative of the Society to go among their people and present the cause and get what he can, or organize any movement among the brethren in which he can interest them. Sometimes relatively good contributions are thus obtained, and sometimes a pastor's views are changed and the church awakened.

I have mentioned fifty churches as giving nothing to Home Missions, but as giving to one—and only one—other department of missions. In almost every case this represents a low state of interest in missions. In many churches only one contribution is taken and divided between two or more objects. When the amount is very small, it is sometimes all given to the one which at the moment strikes somebody's fancy as the most deserving, or whose representative is most popular.

CONTRIBUTING CHURCHES.

Contributing churches are not without a problem for the Society. While the proportion of churches in West Virginia contributing to Home Missions is at least 15 per cent. greater than the average among the States making up the constituency of the Society, the amount contributed by the several churches is too small. I am inclined to the opinion that in this particular, however, we compare not unfavorably with others, because nearly all our people are poor. The wealth of the few who are comparatively rich consists, usually, in land which often represents unconvertible value, and accompanies poverty of ready money. But waiving all comparisons with others, our contributions are very small, and represent but little interest in the work of the Society. More interest is taken in State Missions than in any other department. But nearly seven years of experience as Superintendent of State Missions has convinced me that not more than 10 per cent. of the membership of our churches contribute to State Missions at any one time. The number contributing to Home

Missions is considerably less. When the average church is closely canvassed by a mission committee the number of members contributing in country churches rarely reaches 25 per cent. of the whole membership, and in city and town churches 50 per cent. is almost never exceeded.

The problem is, how can these conditions be changed? They cannot be changed by any platform, pulpit, or press appeals alone, though all these have their place and value—are even necessary. It must be done chiefly by dint of the most intense and persistent personal work with the members at their homes. This personal work cannot be done by our pastors. They have too many duties to perform. They cannot give sufficient attention to detail. It must be done by members of the churches who are led to see the need and to feel deeply upon the subject. These members ought to get information and inspiration from or by means of the pastors. How much the pastors are effecting may be gathered from a review of the contributing churches. Three hundred and seven of these have pastors. In about 100 of them only one collection was taken and the proceeds distributed among the Societies. Where this custom prevails the information given must of necessity be too general to develop any great interest in missions. As for Home Missions, or any department of missions in particular, the people must be left without any definite knowledge. But in most of these cases where one collection serves for all purposes, and in many cases where separate collections are taken for the several objects, no information is imparted and no appeal is made. It is announced that the collection is due and some one is sent through the congregation with the basket to receive what a few may be willing to give. Many members are absent; others have no money with them; and none have a very distinct notion of what they are expected to contribute to. A good many pastors who make separate collections for Home Missions present only the most general features of the work. Some neglect to obtain definite information about the work and needs of the Society. Some feel that, visiting their churches only once a month, they must preach and not take the time to present the particulars of the work of the Society. We have also a goodly number of pastors who are earnestly endeavoring to broaden the view and deepen the interest of their church members in the work of the Society. By these pastors definite and full knowledge of what the Society is doing and of the opportunities before us is being imparted in an effective manner. They are, through their leaders, infusing missionary life into the blood of their churches, so to speak, and it is being carried far towards the extremities of the body.

Progress is being made in securing a more general and intelligent interest in the work. When Rev. W. E. Powell began to represent the Society in the State about twenty years ago there was a mere handful of churches contributing. The improvement since then has been slow but

revolutionary. The rate of improvement is still slow—far too slow. But from all classes of pastors come invitations for the District Secretary to present the work in their churches. As might be expected the greater proportion of such invitations come from the last mentioned class. One of them wrote me that he thought it was about time his “people should hear about Home Missions from one who was making a special study of the work.” But I have no reason to complain of my personal treatment by any. Their doors are open to me, and they seem glad to talk with me about the work, and to discuss methods of interesting the people. It is in this personal work in the homes of the pastors, as well as in the homes of the church leaders that the District Secretary’s most effective work is done in developing an interest in missionary work.

I fear I am not able to make the right impression concerning the pastors of most of these contributing churches. In whatever some of them may fall below the standard of pastors most helpful to missions, they are deserving of hearty sympathy. The majority of our pastors do more work for which they are not paid, or for which they are but poorly paid, than any class of pastors I have known. Much of their time must be devoted to secular work in earning a livelihood. Their disposition towards the Societies is, therefore, easily accounted for, and the effort put forth in the cause of missions not to be despised.

SPECIAL GIFTS AND LEGACIES.

Some of our Baptist people are becoming able on occasion to make large contributions. Their attention, however, must be attracted to some special need. Not many beginners having made a large contribution will repeat it unless the need of doing so is earnestly and kindly urged upon them. Giving large sums must become a habit before they can be depended upon unsolicited.

Legacies to the Society, once quite unusual, are becoming more frequent in West Virginia. Many of our people who have property could leave a part of it to the Society with injustice to no one. There is need of not a little work being done in seeking out such and making the suggestion to them. I have observed that in many wills some mistake in designation renders the bequest void or reduces its value. Our peculiar laws relative to the incorporation of Missionary Societies are frequently disregarded and bequests are lost or endangered thereby. Constant careful watching of the Society’s interests is the only security from most of these dangers. Many of those who think of making bequests to the Society would prefer to avail themselves of the Society’s annuity bonds if the matter were explained to them. My predecessor had a good deal of success in this feature of work, and already I have found need of not a little of it. In

none of these particulars can the pastors render much service. They have too many needs for large contributions for local matters, to say nothing of lacking the time which is required.

ROUTINE.

My routine work for 5 months may be indicated as follows: I have visited 31 churches; attended 13 other public meetings in the interest of the Society; attended 16 prayer meetings; preached 28 sermons; made 27 addresses; made 294 visits; traveled 4,760 miles; written 1,043 letters and postal cards; sent 1,398 packages by mail and express, containing 15,848 leaflets.

MISSOURI.

MANLY J. BREAKER, D.D., CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The great difficulties during the past year have been in part the same as formerly and in part new. As hitherto there has been the excessive emphasis laid on missionary work in our own state (which work absorbs sixty per cent. of our entire missionary offerings), the lack of interest on the part of pastors and flocks in larger missions, the lack of information and of desire for information. Special difficulties have been the terrible drought and efforts to raise money for education and charity, efforts which succeeded in securing \$150,000, and, of course, hindered missionary offerings. Some encouragements in the work have been the more general adoption of the uniform schedules for missionary offerings, the wider spread of information, and the increased enlistment of the pastors in the work. During the past five years, while the increase of the denomination in the State in numbers has been less than two per cent., and the offerings for district missions have increased nine per cent., for State missions twenty-five per cent., those for the two great causes under my care have increased for home missions forty per cent. and for foreign missions 133 per cent.

My work this year has been as follows: Miles traveled, 27,235; places visited, 123; associations attended, 26; conventions attended, 11; addresses made, 176; revival meetings held, 2; professions of faith, 51; columns of matter prepared for the press, 149; pages of literature printed, 689,210; pages literature distributed, 1,637,920; letters written, 15,324; money raised for home missions, \$7,677.34; for foreign missions, \$14,684.13.

HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

	Churches	Sunday Schools.	Y. P. Societies.	Indi- viduals.	Total Dona- tions.	Lega- cies.	Total Society.	For W.H. M. S. Chicago.
Totals, 1901-2	\$1,553 55	\$21 53	\$1 58	\$684 65	\$2,268 73	.....	\$2,268 73	\$692 30
" 1900-1	3,187 26	6 12	.....	97 75	3,291 13	.....	3,291 13	389 68
Increase .	.....	\$15 41	\$1 58	\$586 90	.....	.....	.....	\$302 62
Decrease..	\$1,633 71	.....	.....	.....	\$1,022 40	.....	\$1,022 40	.....

	Contributing Churches.	Non-contributing Churches.	Total Churches.	Total Pastors.
1901-2.....	306	1235	1900	950
1900-1.....	312	1327	1862	900
Increase.....	.....	.....	38	50
Decrease.....	6	92	.....	.....

NOTE.—The decrease in offerings is due to the fact that a debt from offerings to the Southern Board has now been paid,

"Contributing churches" are those from which offerings came this year to the Home Mission Society; "non-contributing churches" are those which made no Home Mission offerings at all. I represent the Atlanta Board too.

II. MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

MINNESOTA.

Minnesota affords a good illustration of the value of the work of the American Baptist Home Mission Society. Into a small community of about 800 persons, in 1847, came a Baptist woman from Vermont as a school teacher. In the "mud-walled log hovel," used for a school house she organized a Sunday School. The next year two other devoted Baptists came from New Hampshire. While a letter of inquiry from the Corresponding Secretary of the Society in 1848 was on its way to St. Paul, one from St. Paul, concerning the appointment of a missionary was on its way to New York. Subsequent investigation showed that both letters were written the same hour of the same day!

In May, 1849, Rev. John P. Parsons began his work in St. Paul as a missionary of the Society, on a salary of \$600, of which the Society paid \$500. Within eight years the church became self-supporting and has been a tower of strength in our work in the State, and a blessing to the world. In like manner the Society's aid has been extended to many other fields with similar results.

Thirteen years before there was a railroad in the territory, pioneer missionaries of the Society had traversed nearly the entire inhabited portions of the territory. With the coming of railway lines, missionaries were specially commissioned to labor in the new towns that sprang up along their routes, and to establish churches wherever practicable. To about 160 railway towns and cities in Minnesota have laborers been definitely appointed. Timely work like this, all over the West, has resulted in the occupation of about 2,000 railway towns and cities by the Society's missionaries and in the erection therein, by its direct aid, of more than 1,000 church edifices.

Here, too, is furnished a beautiful illustration of the variety and success of our work among our foreign populations, and their harmonious relations to each other in one Baptist Convention. In

the Baptist fold are Americans, Swedes, Norwegians, Danes and Germans. Of the 258 Baptist churches in the State about 120 are among the foreign populations, more than one-third of our entire number of 20,784 being Scandinavians, and these principally Swedes. These are a vigorous element in our denominational life.

For twenty-three years the Society has been in harmonious co-operation with the Minnesota Baptist State Convention, one of the most efficient bodies of its kind in all the land. Here was conceived the germinal idea of the plan of coöperation which has been widely adopted, with most beneficent results to our cause throughout the West.

After fifty years the Society felt that the time had arrived for the discontinuance of appropriations, throwing the State wholly on its own resources. By an amicable arrangement a gradual reduction was made annually for a few years, to terminate in 1901. But the new developments in Northern Minnesota, with the manifest inability of the denomination in the State adequately to cultivate that and other fields, have constrained the Society to extend its helping hand a little longer. Nearly every point of importance where a Baptist church exists has been tilled by missionaries of the Society and the Convention, while about one-half of its church edifices have been erected by aid from the Church Edifice Funds. The investment by the Society of more than \$200,000 in Minnesota has been abundantly justified by the results, indicated in part by the present ability of what was once a feeble mission, with vigorous offshoots therefrom, to entertain our great denominational organizations in their annual convocations.

SELF SUPPORT.

It is the settled policy of the Society to encourage mission churches to assume self support as early as practicable. The period through which help may be extended wisely necessarily depends upon a great variety of circumstances, and each case must be treated not on general principles but on its merits. From incomplete statistics which have been gathered it appears that within

the last five years churches which have been aided by the Society have become self-supporting, as follows: Connecticut, 1; Pennsylvania, 2; Illinois, 2; Wisconsin, 21; Minnesota, 23; Iowa, 8; Oklahoma, 3; Indian Territory, 1; Kansas, 41; Nebraska, 23; South Dakota, 10; North Dakota, 7; California, 1; Colorado, 16; New Mexico, 2; East Washington, 3; Idaho, 1; Oregon, 5; West Washington, 4; British Columbia, 1; making a total of 175. There are doubtless others which have been overlooked. The church at Monterey, in Mexico, is approaching self support; the First Church of Santiago, Cuba, has voluntarily assumed a portion of the support of its pastor, and Rev. H. P. McCormick reports that already a vigorous young church in Porto Rico meets all its own current expenses.

It should be added that the State Convention of Iowa has become independent, and Wisconsin is about to assume that position. Kansas and Nebraska are both looking forward to reduced appropriations from our Treasury.

NEW FIELDS.

New and promising fields present themselves much more rapidly than old ones can be dropped. The tide of western immigration flowing into Minnesota, Washington, Idaho, into the Territories and in other parts of the west presents the familiar conditions which have confronted the Society for seventy years, and calls with the same pleading voice for aid in the planting of new interests, and the fostering of young Baptist churches. This is preëminently still the time of seed sowing, and foundation laying, and it is a constant source of regret to your Board that it cannot greatly enlarge its western work. The time is also fully ripe for an advance movement in Mexico. There is imperatively needed a greatly enlarged missionary force, especially a missionary training school for the preparation of native converts for missionary service.

The favorable conditions for aggressive work in Eastern Cuba and in Porto Rico steadily increase; and there seems literally no

limit to the harvest that may be reaped if we were able to supply the laborers.

The Italians still continue to come to America in large numbers, and multitudes of them evince an open mind and receptive heart. If the men and money were available it would be possible to-day to establish in promising places among them a score of missionary stations. There is greatly needed a school which can do for young Italian candidates for the ministry what is being done for Germans at Rochester, and the three Scandinavian nationalities at Chicago.

Mission work in cities still presses its claims upon us, with increasing emphasis and urgency, but we have been unable for the lack of money to do more than maintain our position in the cities where work has already been begun.

Your Board desire to emphasize the urgent need of enlarged contributions in order that it may greatly extend its missionary work.

MISSIONARIES AMONG THE ITALIANS, CHINESE, MEXICANS AND INDIANS.

The following are the names of the missionaries among the above-mentioned peoples, with their fields:

ITALIANS.

Rev. Angelo Peruzzi, Buffalo, N. Y.; Rev. Angelo di Domenica, Newark and Orange, N. J.; Rev. Vincent Lomonte, Camden, N. J.; Rev. Pasquale De Carlo, Stamford, Conn.; Rev. Antonio Roca, Hartford, Conn.; Rev. Marco Mazzucca, New Haven, Conn.; Rev. A. B. Bellondi, Barre, Vt.; Rev. Vincenzo di Domenica, Haverhill, Mass.; Rev. Alfred Barone, Monson, Mass.; Rev. R. N. Galassi, Providence, R. I.

CHINESE.

Rev. Fung Yuet Mow, New York City; Rev. Chow Leung, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. Lee To, Spokane, Wash.; Rev. C. J. Yuen Kwong, Seattle, Wash.; Rev. Lee Tsai Leong, San Francisco, Cal.

MEXICANS.

Rev. W. H. Sloan and Rev. Ernesto Barocio, Mexico City; Rev. H. T. Westrup, Linares, Mex.; Rev. J. F. Kimball and Rev. J. Diaz de Leon, New Laredo, Mex.; Rev. Fernando Uriegas, Puebla, Mex.; Rev. A. R. Cavazos, Sabinas Hidalgo, Mex.; Rev. Refugio Garza, Santa Rosa, Mex.; Rev. Alejandro Trevino, Monterey, Mex.; Rev. Louis Diaz Flores, Aguas Calientes, Mex.; Rev. M. E. Guajardo, Montemorelos and El Porvenir, Mex.; Rev. Manuel Zavaleta, San Luis Potosi, Mex.

INDIANS.

Rev. Daniel Bird, Tahlequah, I. T.; Rev. Adam L. Lacie, Baptist, I. T.; Rev. Joseph S. Murrow, D.D., Atoka, I. T.; Rev. J. B. Rounds, Wilburton, I. T.; Rev. I. S. Wright, Ola, I. T.; Rev. L. B. White, Reichert, I. T.; Rev. J. G. Brendel, Tahlequah, I. T.; Rev. G. L. Phelps, Okmulgee I. T.; Rev. H. H. Clouse, Mountain View, O. T.; Rev. Philip Cook, Watonga, O. T.; Rev. E. C. Deyo, Taupa, O. T.; Rev. Robert Hamilton, Watonga, O. T.; Rev. G. W. Hicks, Hobart, O. T.; Rev. F. L. King, Geary, O. T.; Rev. L. J. Dyke, Anadarko, O. T.

MISSIONARY SUMMARY.

The following presents a summary exhibit of the missionary operations of the Society:

The whole number of laborers, missionaries and teachers supported wholly or in part by the Society has been 1,278.

These have been distributed as follows: In New England States, 45; in the Middle and Central States, 75; in the Southern States, 229; in the Western States and Territories, 873; in the Canadian Dominion, 10; in Mexico, 20; in Alaska, 1; in Cuba, 6; in Porto Rico, 9; French missionaries have wrought in 7 States; Scandinavian missionaries in 22 States; German missionaries in 25 States and Canada; colored missionaries in 21 States and Territories.

Among the foreign population there have been 302 missionaries and 13 teachers; among the colored people, 58 and 210; the Indians, 24 and 30; the Mexicans, 15 and 12; the Cubans, 5 and 1; the Porto Ricans, 7 and 2, respectively; among the Mormons, 4 teachers, and among Americans, 595 missionaries.

The Society aids in the maintenance of 33 schools established for the colored people, the Indians and the Mexicans. There are 7 day schools for the Chinese, and other day schools as follows: One in Utah, 2 in New Mexico, 1 in Cuba, and 2 in Porto Rico; in all, 46.

The particular distribution of these laborers is as follows:

Maine.....	1	S. C.....	26	Mo.	8	Cal.....	76
N. H.....	4	Ga.	47	Neb.....	46	Ore.....	45
Vermont.	1	Fla.....	5	Ind. Ter.....	105	Wash.....	72
Mass.....	22	Ala.....	5	Oklahoma	83	Manitoba.....	3
R. I.....	5	Miss	12	Kans	72	Alberta.....	1
Conn	12	La.....	5	S. Dakota	48	Ontario	3
N. Y.....	27	Ark.	6	N. Dakota....	38	Assiniboia....	3
N. J.	15	Tex.....	37	Mont	18	Mexico	20
Pa	15	Ohio.....	5	Wyom.....	7	Alaska	1
Del	4	Mich.	14	Colo.	36	Cuba.....	6
Va.....	37	Ind.....	3	New Mex.....	24	Porto Rico....	9
W. Va.....	14	Ill.....	25	Ariz.....	9		
Ky	9	Wis.	54	Utah.....	11	Total.....	1278
Tenn.	19	Minn.....	58	Nevada... ..	2		
N. C.....	21	Iowa.....	4	Idaho	20		

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	Total number in all places and in here.	American.	German.	Scandinavian.	French	Mexican.	Indian.	Negroes +	Chinese	Poles	Bohemian.	Welsh.	Portuguese.	Finn.	Italian.	Jew.	Armenian.	Japanese.	Hollanders.	Culture.	Porto Ricans.	Number.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Church connected
1871	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1872	44	24	20	51	4	4	7	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1873	45	24	21	51	4	4	7	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1874	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1875	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1876	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1877	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1878	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1879	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1880	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1881	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1882	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1883	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1884	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1885	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1886	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1887	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1888	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1889	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1890	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1891	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1892	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1893	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1894	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1895	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1896	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1897	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1898	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1899	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1900	157	141	26	51	4	5	34	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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Number of Laborers	1,278
Weeks of labor	43,880
Churches and out-stations supplied.....	2,100
Sermons preached	99,593
Prayer meetings attended	45,682
Religious visits made	290,082
Bibles and Testaments distributed.....	8,684
Pages of tracts distributed	2,010,720
Received by baptism	4,957
Received by letter and experience.....	7,449
Total church membership	63,348
Churches organized	142
Sunday Schools under care of Missionaries.....	1,348
Attendance at Sunday Schools	87,813
Benevolent contributions reported.....	\$86,000 03

RESULTS OF SEVENTY YEARS.

Number of commissions to missionaries and teachers.....	26,745
Weeks of service reported	945,343
*Sermons preached	2,319,397
*Prayer meetings attended.....	1,239,169
*Religious visits to families and individuals.....	5,998,274
Persons baptized	173,224
Churches organized	5,610

*During last sixty-one years.

SUPERINTENDENTS AND GENERAL MISSIONARIES.

The following is the list of the Superintendents and General Missionaries the past year:

Upper Mississippi District.—O. A. Williams, D.D., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Wisconsin—Rev. D. W. Hulburt, Wauwatosa.
 Minnesota—Rev. E. R. Pope, Minneapolis.
 North and South Dakota—T. M. Shanafelt, D.D., Huron, S. D.
 Trans-Mississippi Division—N. B. Rairden, D.D., Omaha, Neb.
 Nebraska—Rev. C. W. Brinstad, Omaha.
 Kansas—Rev. E. B. Meredith, Kansas City.

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1874	157	641	32	51	4	3	01	72	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	08	189	18
1875	162	646	32	51	4	3	01	72	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	08	189	18
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Churches and out-stations supplied.....	2,100
Sermons preached	99,593
Prayer meetings attended	45,682
Religious visits made	290,082
Bibles and Testaments distributed.....	8,684
Pages of tracts distributed	2,010,720
Received by baptism	4,957
Received by letter and experience.....	7,449
Total church membership	63,348
Churches organized	142
Sunday Schools under care of Missionaries.....	1,348
Attendance at Sunday Schools	87,813
Benevolent contributions reported.....	\$86,000 03

RESULTS OF SEVENTY YEARS.

Number of commissions to missionaries and teachers.....	26,745
Weeks of service reported	945,343
*Sermons preached	2,319,397
*Prayer meetings attended.....	1,239,169
*Religious visits to families and individuals.....	5,998,274
Persons baptized	173,224
Churches organized	5,610

*During last sixty-one years.

SUPERINTENDENTS AND GENERAL MISSIONARIES.

The following is the list of the Superintendents and General Missionaries the past year:

Upper Mississippi District.—O. A. Williams, D.D., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Wisconsin—Rev. D. W. Hulburt, Wauwatosa.
 Minnesota—Rev. E. R. Pope, Minneapolis.
 North and South Dakota—T. M. Shanafelt, D.D., Huron, S. D.
 Trans-Mississippi Division—N. B. Rairden, D.D., Omaha, Neb.
 Nebraska—Rev. C. W. Brinstad, Omaha.
 Kansas—Rev. E. B. Meredith, Kansas City.

- Indian Territory—J. S. Murrow, D.D. The Indians.
 Oklahoma—Rev. L. L. Smith, El Reno.
 Colorado—Rev. W. B. Pope, Pueblo.
 New Mexico and Arizona—Rev. George H. Brewer, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
 Montana, South Idaho—Rev. L. G. Clark, Helena, Mont.
 Wyoming and Utah—Rev. Bruce Kinney, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Pacific Coast Division—C. A. Wooddy, D.D., Portland, Ore.
 East Washington and North Idaho—Rev. A. M. Allyn, Spokane, Wash.
 Washington—Rev. L. W. Terry, Tacoma.
 Oregon—Rev. George R. Varney, McMinnville.
 Northern California—Rev. E. R. Bennett, Oakland.
 South California and Arizona—Rev. C. T. Douglass, Pasadena, Cal.
 The French—Rev. J. N. Williams, 19 Arch St., Providence, R. I.
 The Germans—Rev. G. A. Schulte, 313A Charles St., West Hoboken, N. J.
 Eastern Cuba—H. R. Moseley, D.D., Santiago.
 Northern Porto Rico—Rev. H. P. McCormick, San Juan.
 Southern Porto Rico—Rev. A. B. Rudd, Ponce.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT: WISCONSIN, MINNESOTA, NORTH AND SOUTH DAKOTA.

O. A. WILLIAMS, D.D., SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS.

All the States of this district have worked throughout the year in co-operation with the American Baptist Home Mission Society. Wisconsin, however, at the annual meeting of the State Convention held at La Crosse in October, resolved according to a plan previously proposed to them by the Society, to undertake the responsibility of carrying on the work after this year without aid. On account of the rapid development of the western half of the State and the influx of population into this section, the task may prove too much for the financial strength of the Baptists of the State. A committee was appointed some months ago to consider this question in all its bearings, and to formulate a statement of the great needs of the State, with a view of asking for the continuance of aid from the Society. Minnesota for similar reasons urgently requested that the coöperation of the Society be continued, which request was cheerfully granted.

The work in these States has been under the supervision of the same general missionaries, whose long experience in these fields, and whose acquaintance with every detail and difficulty connected with the work, enable them to direct the affairs of the denomination with much tact and prudence. The accompanying reports of Rev. D. W. Hulburt, E. R. Pope,

and T. M. Shanafelt, D.D., give valuable information of the religious condition and needs of these fields, and the work done in each. We desire to emphasize some things contained in these reports. Our attention is called in each to the influx of population into this section of the country, calling for heroic Christian labor, and for a large outlay of money. The strength of the denomination in northern sections of Wisconsin and of Minnesota, as well as in the western part of the Dakotas, will depend much upon what will be done in the next ten years. Since the Scandinavian element constitutes so large a proportion of the population of this district, and since Baptist principles have taken such deep root among them, our opportunities for aggressive work are particularly great. We would emphasize the work of the district missionaries, especially in Wisconsin and Minnesota, which has been blessed in the strengthening of the older struggling churches, as well as in the occupying of new fields. South Dakota is also appreciating the value of this kind of work. At the present time three district missionaries are employed.

We find cause for encouragement in these reports. Several churches hitherto aided will after this year be self-supporting. In the last five years, sixty-three churches in this district have attained self-support. The imperative needs of the hour, as seen from these reports, are men and money.

In our report one year ago mention was made of the Russian settlement in North Dakota. Soon after that a Baptist church with forty-two members was organized, which was named the First Russian Baptist Church of Liberty. Under the pastoral care of our missionary, Rev. Alex. Niclaus, it has grown to more than eighty members. It will also be remembered that at that time the members were in great destitution, and that relief was sent them by Christian friends. Last year the Lord blessed them with abundant crops, and early in the season they sent an offering of \$50.25 for Home Missions.

The Superintendent has been permitted to devote the entire year to the duties and work of his district without the interruption of a single day.

WISCONSIN.

REV. D. W. HULBURT, WAUWATOSA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Our Convention employed last year 44 missionaries, 34 of whom served as pastors and ministered to 47 churches. Four were summer students who ministered to four churches, making 51 churches in all. Six were general and district missionaries. Seven were Swedes, five were Danes or Norwegians, 32 were English speaking. Our mission churches received 107 by baptism, 103 otherwise and had a net gain of 78.

The total expenditure of the Convention was \$10,349.29, the total receipts \$8,930.18. We closed the year with a debt of \$818.51.

OUR PERMANENT LOCAL MISSION POLICY

was put into operation at Green Bay, where we have three meeting houses and practically a limitless opportunity to extend the work. The entire work of the city is under one general management with Rev. Henry H. Bawden, who was eleven years district missionary in Ohio, as pastor and Rev. Wade B. Brown associate. Thus far a very satisfactory work has been accomplished. We are very successfully applying the same policy to rural districts where we are putting a whole county under the supervision of a district pastor who is seconded by assistant or associate pastors. Five churches came to

SELF SUPPORT.

the past year. These were Grantsburg (Swede), Tomah, Merrill, Sheboygan and Ripon. In the last five years 21 churches have come to self support.

From 1890 to 1895 nineteen Baptist churches in Wisconsin ceased to report to associations, but from 1895 to 1900, only seven churches ceased to report. We believe that in the last five years at least eleven churches have been saved from extinction by our

DISTRICT MISSIONARY SYSTEM.

Of these missionaries, we have had five and some of them have made a specialty of saving the churches which were waning. This, we believe, has been an exceedingly profitable work.

THE SUPREME NEED OF THE HOUR.

is in the new movement in the northern part of our State. Between September 1, 1900, and September 1, 1901, in eleven northern counties, 753,316 acres of land have been sold, and in Douglas County alone in one month 141,291 acres were sold for \$1,216,064 and 2,250 city lots were sold for \$1,023,284, or an average of \$455 per lot. We need immediately thousands of dollars to establish our work in this part of the State. Last year Congregationalists organized ten churches and Baptists organized two. In a number of these new villages Baptists are the first on the field. If we retain the fields where we have now a foothold and do our share of the work in this northern part of the State, increased resources are an absolute necessity

MINNESOTA.

REV. E. R. POPE, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Mission work in Minnesota is being prosecuted vigorously. An earnest attempt is being made to keep up with the rapid development of the State's material resources. Farm lands in every section have advanced in value, and, as the higher priced land is sold in the southern districts, there is investment in the north. This movement is very marked, and steadily increasing. This has a double effect upon mission work: It increases the demand for such in the newer parts of the State, while at the same time many of the churches in the older parts are weakened by removals. This continual movement of people renders the conduct of missionary enterprise much more difficult.

For three or four years past there has been great activity in railroad building, and along these new lines in northern and southwestern Minnesota, towns and villages have been formed with great rapidity. At present several new lines have been projected in the southeastern part of the State, that will materially alter our railway map, and may affect some of the smaller centers.

The State Convention has laid much emphasis upon District Missionary work, and results seem to justify this course. At present, including a missionary for the city of St. Paul, there are ten such men at work. They are earnestly engaged in laying hold of the new and conserving as far as possible the old. It is of special interest to note that one Swedish brother of very modest means, appreciating the need and believing in the value of such workers, gave \$400 for the support of a missionary to work in northeastern Minnesota, mostly in the mining region. This donation, the largest from any individual in the State, enabled the Convention to put an additional man in the field.

Like many another of our large cities, there are problems of a specially difficult kind to be worked out in St. Paul. Our Baptist constituency in the Capital City has almost entirely changed. In some respects the situation is far brighter than two or three years ago; yet there are many questions, the solution for which has not been found. The coöperation with the Baptist City Union in the appointment of a City Missionary it is hoped will prove helpful in every way.

Minnesota's population is largely foreign; only one other State has a larger per cent. 28.8 per cent. of the entire population are of foreign birth, while 46.1 per cent. are native born of foreign parentage. Thus practically three-fourths of the people are of foreign birth or parentage. As is well known, the Scandinavian people and the Germans form by far the largest proportion of these foreign born. It is of interest to note that the German

element is at a standstill, so far as immigration is concerned. On the other hand, there appears to be an increase in some undesirable elements, as Bohemians, Italians and Poles.

Probably over one-quarter of the Scandinavian Baptists in the country are in Minnesota. Much attention is being bestowed on this part of our work, and even more might be with good effect. In some places the process of Americanization is really done, while in other places it is going on, much of it "without observation." Of the thirty mission churches now receiving assistance, seventeen are Scandinavian; and of the ten district missionaries, five belong to these nationalities.

This year the financial obligations of the Convention are larger than ever before. But the demands were so imperative, that it seemed sinful to refuse them. The schedule calls for an expenditure of a little more than \$16,000. This means the securing of about \$13,000 from the Baptists of the State. Yet even this amount does not meet the necessities. \$25,000 a year is none too much to expend *just now* in this fast developing State, where a year now is worth five years a little later.

SOUTH DAKOTA AND NORTH DAKOTA.

T. M. SHANAFELT, D.D., HURON, S.D., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The following is a brief summary of the present conditions and outlook of the two States comprising my field. In general it can be said of each of them that the condition is gratifying and the outlook is hopeful.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

During the year forty-nine missionaries have been under appointment, occupying fifty-two fields and forty-seven out stations. Two new churches have been organized, five new houses of worship have been built and dedicated, one is in process of erection, and one was purchased from another denomination; six parsonages have been built or purchased. Two churches became self supporting during the year, and three, and possibly four, more will reach self support at the end of the present Convention year. These are among the encouraging features of our work. There are also perplexities.

A year ago reference was made to the very rapid increase in population, and the consequent necessity for the development of new fields. It is now evident that the increase in population this year will be considerably greater than last year. The present tide of immigration to the two Dakotas has never been equaled, except, possibly, during the early boom period, when these two States were known as Dakota Territory.

A good many settlers are taking advantage of the rapidly increasing prices paid for cultivated land, and are selling out, and going further west to file on government land. This is weakening our churches on some fields, and introducing a new element. While some of our churches have gained in numerical strength and financial resources, others have lost. A Baptist who leaves his church and settles elsewhere, does not always leave a Baptist successor. We are grateful for our gains, but we mourn over our losses.

We must maintain the fields that we have, but there is now a special necessity for occupying others. Where one church becomes self supporting, half a dozen new fields need to be entered and cultivated. With no apparent probability of an increase in the funds set apart for missionary work in South Dakota, and the possible danger of a decrease, the outlook for the coming year, though it has some promising features, occasions anxiety. The conditions in the State render a forward movement a necessity. There can be no retrenchment in missionary resources without serious danger to our cause in South Dakota.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Reference has been made to the marvelous growth in the population of South Dakota. The increase has been relatively greater in North Dakota, and represents a larger number of nationalities. The number of German, Russian and Scandinavian immigrants is surprisingly large. The necessity for speedily evangelizing these foreign-born people is now upon us. But "how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent?" There never was so great a necessity in North Dakota as now, for an increased number of missionaries, and the aid of the Home Mission Society. If both of these can be assured most gratifying results will soon follow, and these various elements in our population will be speedily Christianized and Americanized.

The early settlements in North Dakota were made in the Red River Valley and adjacent counties. The more recent opportunities for settlement have been in the western half of the State, and every county is being rapidly filled with actual settlers. Most of these people are poor. With them the first great struggle is to establish homes for their families. Religious homes are also needed without delay, and these cannot be secured without assistance. The time to render that assistance is now.

During the year thirty-five missionaries have been under appointments. They have labored on forty-three fields, and have occupied fifty-three out-stations.

TRANS-MISSISSIPPI DIVISION: MISSOURI, NEBRASKA, KANSAS, IN-
DIAN TERRITORY, OKLAHOMA, COLORADO, UTAH, WYOMING,
NEW MEXICO, ARIZONA.

N. B. RAIDEN, D.D., GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT, OMAHA, NEBRASKA.

UTAH AND WYOMING.

The report of Rev. Bruce Kinney, General Missionary for Utah and Wyoming, marks a special advance in our work in these two States. The development, especially in Wyoming, is more rapid than at any previous time. Mr. Kinney is taking hold of the work with a master hand, and the next few years will undoubtedly show a very large growth. Rev. J. M. Jones has just been sent to the Big Horn Basin, and is already urgently asking for help.

KANSAS.

This State has been deeply affected by the practical loss of the corn crop, and plans which were adopted a year ago for enlarging the work have involved the Convention in a serious debt. The health of our General Missionary, Dr. E. B. Meredith, has not been good. The educational work has been pressed with the utmost vigor.

This year has been one of very marked revivals throughout the entire State, in which our mission churches have shared. The outlook in the State for growth is exceptionally good. The only disturbing factor at present is the debt upon the Convention of about \$2,000.

NEBRASKA.

Rapid advance is being made under the able leadership of Rev. C. W. Brinstad who, even at a personal sacrifice, is pushing the work. This State also has shared in a spirit of revival, and will probably show larger gains by conversion and baptism than any previous year. The condition of the finances is good. The receipts of the last quarter were more than \$1,000.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

The system of coöperation adopted eighteen months ago has resulted in fairly good progress, and the number of missionaries has greatly increased. The report of Dr. J. S. Murrow, Missionary to the Indians, will

show the progress that is being made among these people. The great need of the work in Indian Territory is enlargement.

OKLAHOMA.

Rev. L. L. Smith, the General Missionary, is showing great ability in the management of the work. Many churches have been greatly strengthened by revivals, and in some instances scores of persons have been converted and baptized. The entire territory is advancing rapidly in material development.

MISSIONS AMONG THE BLANKET INDIANS.

The work makes good progress though greatly hindered by the opening of the reservations, and the great influx of settlers. Those who have become Christians, however, are proving to be steadfast; even in times of great temptation, show a Christian spirit, even under great provocation.

COLORADO.

Rev. W. B. Pope was unanimously chosen as General Missionary last October, and is getting hold of the work in an encouraging way. The payment of the debt of the First Church, Denver, through the efforts of Pastor George B. Vosburgh, D.D., will greatly encourage the entire State. A missionary to the Mexicans has been provided for, and other marked advances made.

NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA.

These two territories are developing very rapidly. Rev. George Brewer is the very efficient General Missionary for both.

New lines of railroad are being built in almost every part of them. Towns of from 1,000 to 2,000 population have in some instances taken the place of the wilderness in the last year. Greatly increased appropriations are urgently demanded for both these territories, especially for New Mexico.

NEBRASKA.

REV. C. W. BRINSTAD, OMAHA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Nebraska may now be said to have fairly recovered from the results of her crop-failures and consequent financial depression of a few years ago. In all parts of the State our cities are growing rapidly and our farms are producing abundant harvests. Even the western portion of the State is

yielding large returns to the stock industry; while vast areas in the semi-arid region are being converted to the richest farms in the country through scientific systems of irrigation. It is reasonable to suppose that Nebraska will soon become one of the foremost agricultural States in the Union. Her soil is unsurpassed; her citizens among the most intellectual and patriotic to be found anywhere.

The American Baptist Home Mission Society fully appreciates the growing needs of the State and, as in former years, gives liberal assistance to our State Convention in its work. Nebraska Baptists will never cease to thank God for this pioneer evangelizing agency through whose efforts so much has been accomplished in all these western States. The Society is especially fortunate in having so able a representative in the person of Dr. N. B. Bairden, Superintendent of Missions in the "Trans-Mississippi Division." His counsels have been of inestimable value to our people.

During the past year 45 missionaries have been under appointment, including one general and five district missionaries. These have labored in 58 churches and 36 out-stations. They have preached 4,685 sermons with an average attendance of 3,260; made 14,123 religious visits; received by baptism 398, letter and experience 260, total 658. In addition to the above, twelve evangelists have labored under the direction of the general missionary for all or part time during the year, through whose efforts several hundred have been added to our churches. The work thus performed has been wholly supported by the free-will offerings of the people served. Seventeen new mission stations have been opened up during the year, five churches organized and six meeting-houses erected.

Special efforts have been made during the year in two directions: (1st) to encourage churches, some of whom have been beneficiaries for several years, to assume self-support; (2nd) to organize two or more feeble churches into permanent circuits and settle strong men as pastors with them. The success achieved in these directions may be indicated by the facts that nineteen churches receiving aid last year are now independent, while thirty-one churches that were without pastors one year ago are now regularly supplied. It is the purpose of our Board of Managers to continue these efforts for the future until every community in the State shall be provided with the Gospel.

A careful survey of Nebraska as a mission field will reveal the following conditions. There are 27 cities with a population each of 2,000 or more. Twenty-four of these have Baptist churches, or 8 out of 9. There are 38 towns, having each a population of between 1,000 and 2,000. Twenty-two have Baptist churches, or nearly 2 in 3. There are 416 towns and villages with between 100 and 1,000 population each. Ninety-one have Baptist churches, or about 1 in 4. There are 2,115 villages and country places having each less than 100 people. Forty-eight of these have Baptist

churches, or about 1 in 44. Thus we see that while nearly 90 per cent. of the larger towns and cities of the State have been entered by us as a denomination we have only reached 2 per cent. of the rural districts. Since Nebraska is so largely dependent upon agriculture it is of the utmost importance that greater attention be given to evangelizing the country places. It is also imperatively necessary that more means be provided with which to assist our struggling churches in building meeting-houses. As an illustration of this fact we may state that during the last five years 46 churches without houses of worship have become extinct, while only 8 with houses of worship have had a similar fate during the same time. There are 43 churches in the State now without meeting-houses. Since Chapel Day was abolished about one year ago practically all source of income to the State Convention for chapel building has been cut off.

With the Convention in debt over \$1,000.00 as the result of last year and 45 pastorless churches in the State now calling for help, it is difficult to see how the progress which has been made during the past year can be continued unless the Home Mission Society can increase its assistance.

KANSAS.

E. B. MEREDITH, D.D., KANSAS CITY, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The work in this State is making marked progress. It gains each year in the number of settled pastors and the number and quality of its houses of worship. The pastoral relations and hence the churches are becoming more permanent. The larger centers of population are now quite well established with prosperous churches. The debts on church edifices are very few. The present year is one of large revival movement, and we can see the fruitage of mission money expended on the field the past five years. Churches that were aided but a short time ago are this year reporting from 30 to 100 baptisms and becoming strong.

Last year we had over fifty different missionaries under appointment and yet did not nearly cover the places of large opportunity in the State. Of the 690 churches, many need to be succored with missionary aid or they will go down. Western Kansas is now rapidly filling with people, and it is very important that we care for that field more fully than we have been doing. The renewed financial prosperity means increased population and increased aggressive work.

OKLAHOMA.

REV L. L. SMITH, EL RENO, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

It is difficult to find a better spirit of harmony than exists in Oklahoma at present among those who have a desire to build up the cause of Christ. The grace of God has scarcely wrought a greater change than has been witnessed here during the past two years. A change in the spirit of the people tells more for the development of our work than any statistical statement. It was necessary before the greatest good could be accomplished that the people should get ready to work together. This has been done as the old times of division have been obliterated.

We have, in Oklahoma, 200 churches, 7,000 members, 12 associations, a convention, and one Baptist College.

Since the last meeting of our Convention in October we have had under appointment 59 missionaries, 9 of whom are associational missionaries, and two district missionaries.

During the last associational year there were 515 baptized, and 1,264 received into the churches cooperating with some association. This does not include 12 or 15 churches which do not belong to any association, nor the churches not represented in the annual meeting of the associations. The total gain in membership of the churches reporting was 893.

During the last year meeting-houses have been built at Pilgrim Rest (country), Ceres, Weatherford, Kremlin, Ponca City, Choctaw, McLoud, Mangum, Anadarko, Foss, Rusk, El Reno, Wakita, and Coyle. Several other houses have been enlarged and improved. Next year promises to be the most active in building houses of worship in the history of Oklahoma.

Our opportunity for work is almost unlimited. During the year there have been opened up for settlement in Oklahoma about 5,000 square miles of territory. This "new country" has been divided into three counties. A large number of towns are being built in this country. We have at least 10 churches organized here at present, 5 or 6 of which have pastors.

Central, Western and Northwestern Oklahoma has opened for religious work very recently, as a result of heavy immigration into that part of the Territory. This is a year of railroad building. Four lines of road are being built across Oklahoma in addition to several branch lines. Towns are springing up every few miles on these roads, which add to the responsibility of our convention. Not less than twenty promising new towns could be occupied if we were prepared to take up the work. In nearly every town in Oklahoma there are a sufficient number of Baptists to justify the organization of a church. The sentiment of the people is very strongly in our favor.

Enlargement must be in our plans for the future. Our greatest difficulty

in enlarging our work arises from the fact that we have had thrown upon us so much new work with no addition to our resources for carrying on the work. We cannot abandon the work already undertaken. Some of the churches will soon become self-supporting, but many others must continue to be helped. With more money for supporting missionary pastors and building meeting-houses we can entrench ourselves in Oklahoma until this will be one of the most influential Baptist States in the West.

The position occupied to-day by Baptists in Oklahoma is due very largely to the wise plans and beneficence of the Home Mission Society during the early settlement of Oklahoma. The present plan in which the Home Mission Society and the Home Mission Board are coöperating equally with our convention in doing mission work has proved a most helpful factor in unifying our forces and made it possible for us to carry on an aggressive mission work.

MISSIONS AMONG THE BLANKET INDIANS.

BY N. B. RAIRDEN, D.D., GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT, OMAHA, NEB.

Probably in no other department of Christian work has there been such marvelous exhibitions of the power of the Gospel as in the work done among the Kiowa Indians of Oklahoma. When you take into consideration the past history of this people, with their intense national pride, their large mental capacity, and all facts of their past history, it is marvelous indeed that they would even listen to the Gospel sent to them by the whites. Of all the Indian tribes of America none surpass the Kiowas in natural ability and in keenness of perception. They have had many wars with the whites as well as neighboring tribes; but viewed from their standpoint and considering their limited information, I have no doubt, as a rule, they have been prompted by as high motives of patriotism as our own forefathers in the determination to fight even to death rather than yield their national life.

BEGINNINGS.

From the very beginning the real leaders of the tribe have looked with favor upon the efforts of the missionaries. The work really began in 1893. Rev. G. W. Hicks and wife, missionaries of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, Miss Ballou, Miss Reeside, and Miss Crawford (the three latter under appointment of the Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society of Chicago), were among the earliest workers.

The conversion of Chief Big Tree's wife, the first convert, was a wonderful triumph of grace, and she has ever been a most consistent and faith-

ful follower of the Lord Jesus Christ, and a great power in winning her people to the Lord.

Rev. H. H. Clouse and wife have done, and are doing, a great work at Rainy Mountain, Bro. Clouse having baptized more than one hundred Indians.

We have now in this one tribe two churches with two chapels and two parsonages; the chapel at Rainy Mountain having been provided by contributions secured by the Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society of Chicago, and the one at Elk Creek having been provided by the women of Dayton Association, Ohio. There have been many remarkable conversions among these people.

CHIEF LONE WOLF,

Than whom there is no more intelligent Indian in the tribe, was not among the first to become a Christian. The cast of his mind made it necessary for him to think long upon the subject. Although favorable to the work, it seemed impossible to yield himself to the Lord Jesus. Finally in a camp meeting on Elk Creek, near his home, he came out decidedly upon the Lord's side. Since that time, through many discouragements and trials, he has maintained a steadfast, upright, and consistent Christian character. He is one of the most devoted Christians in the tribe. He is as firm as a rock against all the temptations which constantly assail these young Christians, even publicly sharply rebuking his nephew Delos Lone Wolf, who has recently yielded to the temptation of mescal eating, along with the enemies of Christianity.

IS THE WORK GENUINE?

This question is very often asked: "Do these Indians by steadfast lives show that the work has been genuine?" Without hesitation it can be stated that fewer of these converts return to their evil ways, or are overcome by temptation than among the same number of white converts, even where surrounding circumstances are favorable. It is true that some of them are overtaken by temptation, but it is rare. Many of these Christians have now been followers of the Lord Jesus for seven or eight years, and are as steadfast and immovable as any Christians to be found anywhere. Chief Big Tree and his wife, Samuel Ahatone, the interpreter, and many others too numerous to mention, are in this number.

One of the most useful Christians in the tribe is Samuel Ahatone, interpreter. He is perfectly fearless in rebuking sin, and knows how to do it in a way that reaches his people. It is a matter of profound gratitude that God has given us such an able, wise, and efficient helper as he.

COMANCHES.

The work among this people has been at a great disadvantage because of the bitter and continued opposition of the leading men in the tribe toward Christianity. Everything has been done which a perverse imagination and wicked ingenuity could devise to stop the progress of Christianity, and yet while our missionaries have not seen large numbers converted as among the Kiowas, there have been a select few, especially among the young people, who have accepted the Lord Jesus, and are walking consistently in His ways.

One effect of the opposition against Christianity has been that the people have been plunged into excessive use of mescal, which has undermined their health, and reduced their power to resist disease. Large numbers of them have died. Very recently a head man of the Kiowas sent word to the Comanches that "God was whipping the Comanches because they would not hear the Gospel, and turn away from their sins."

CHEYENNES AND ARAPAHOS.

July 1, 1895, the Lord opened the way for the beginning of a mission among these two tribes, which had so long been neglected. Rev. Robert Hamilton was moved to give his life to the preaching of the Gospel among these people. God has greatly blessed the work. We have two churches, two mission chapels, and one parsonage. The mission chapels are on Kingfisher Creek near the town of Kingfisher, and the other at Watonga.

Phillip Cook, while attending Hascall Institute, was converted and baptized by Rev. A. H. Stote, then pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lawrence, Kansas. Although he had no encouragement in the tribe, still he hailed with delight the prospect of having something done for his people, and has done everything in his power to aid in the work. He has become a native preacher, the first among these Blanket Indians, and aids Mr. Hamilton in caring for these two churches.

In 1898, the work having developed to such an extent as to make it impossible for one man to continue the work for both tribes, Rev. F. L. King and wife were appointed to the Arapahoes as missionaries. We now have a mission chapel nearing completion and a good parsonage near Geary.

As yet there have been no converts among these people, but the "prospects are as promising as the promises of God," and we are sure that the Lord has among the Arapahoes many people whom he will bring to himself.

There is now an earnest call for a missionary to be appointed among

the Osages in Northeastern Oklahoma, said to be the richest people per capita in the United States, but who squander their money in riotous living. They are very urgent in their appeal for help. The Society has not as yet been able to appoint anyone for the lack of means.

A mission is just being opened among the Navajos in New Mexico and Arizona, 20,500 of whom are located upon a reservation, about half in each Territory. Rev. R. B. Wright and wife of Wheaton, Minnesota, have just gone to the field.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

J. S. MURROW, D.D., ATOKA, MISSIONARY TO FULL BLOOD INDIANS.

While the political changes now going on are sources of great dread and anxiety to these Indians, yet the enlarged work by the Baptist Boards gives to them much comfort and hope.

The General Convention of Indian Territory at its annual meeting last September set apart twenty-five hundred dollars for work among the full-bloods. This was made possible by the generous action of the Home Mission Society and the Southern Board in each granting \$500 over and above its pledge of \$4,000 a year to mission work in Indian Territory, which extra \$1,000 was to be applied especially to distinctive work among the full-bloods.

Three young, strong white men have been appointed, one for each of the three largest tribes to work distinctively for the full-bloods. These men are spiritually minded, industrious, tactful, and consecrated to their work. They love the Indians and the Indians are learning to love and trust them. They will each study the language of the tribe in which they labor, and thus be able, in time, to teach in private as well as preach in public. They will give especial attention to Bible Schools and to Ministers' and Deacons' Meetings for the information and instruction of the full-blood preachers and leaders.

These men have entered upon their work with enthusiasm and energy, and are greatly encouraged by the cordial and grateful welcome they are receiving from the Indians. I often ask some of the Choctaws what they think of Brother Rounds and how they like him as a missionary, and their invariable reply is: "Ah-li Nak-ni a-chuk-ma feh-na." "First rate. We like him well. He is a *very* good man."

A letter received yesterday from Bro. Daniel Bird says of Bro. Brendel: "The churches are very grateful to the Boards for giving them such a kind-hearted missionary. We all like him, and believe that he will do us much good."

Bro. Phelps has been among the Muskogees only a short time. He

has a hard field. He comes well recommended by brethren in Missouri. The Muskogee churches are in a deplorable condition. They have been neglected many years. Bro. Phelps must have and will receive the earnest prayers and most cordial coöperation of all friends of the Indians.

The native preachers are also active and faithful. Some of the Cherokee preachers who have been aided by the H. M. Society for a number of years to the amount of \$50 a year had to be dropped by the Convention this year because of lack of means. These have not complained nor have they remitted their labors in the least, and, although many of their people have suffered for food, they have gathered up little contributions from their churches for the Society, just as they have always done. The Choctaw Association is very earnest and active in its associational mission work. The churches are constantly exhorted by their pastors to contribute to this work, to the work of the Territory Convention and to the great Boards in New York and Atlanta. While the political horizon for these Indians is dark and lowering, our Baptist mission work is bright and promising.

COLORADO.

REV. W. B. POPE, PUEBLO, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

For a period of fourteen years the present General Missionary of Colorado has looked and listened to the sights and sounds in the Far West and Northwest. He has marked the rapid changes; the building of railroads, the opening of new lands to settlers, the planting and growth of towns and cities, and, too, the privations and struggles which are a necessary part of pioneer life. During all these years his thought has been directed toward the subject of missionary effort, especially to those problems that stand related to Baptist progress in the growing West. These have been years of surveying, observation, data-gathering, as well as years of constant ministerial labor. And while impressed with the tremendous possibilities presented by the other parts of the vast region referred to, it is candidly acknowledged that no other section of the West with which he is familiar is so rich to-day in opportunity and promise as the rapidly developing State of Colorado.

A three years' residence has been a revelation. The State's advancement is phenomenal. Formerly silver was regarded as the chief resource, but to-day it is scarcely mentioned. The old cry of "16 to 1" has been lost in the roar of commercial and industrial prosperity. The State's development is many-sided, but it is especially marked along agricultural, horticultural, and mineral lines. It was not known a few years ago that fruit could be grown here. Last fall one man sold his apple crop for

\$35,000, and the buyers paid for the picking and boxing of the fruit. Buyers from New York and Philadelphia were in Colorado last fall buying fruit for the Eastern markets. Thousands of acres are being set to trees, and fruit-growing will soon be a leading industry among us. According to statistics published, the agricultural and cattle interests of the State amounted to about \$84,000,000 last year. It is claimed that the Cripple Creek District alone produced \$25,000,000 in gold last year. Colorado easily leads in gold, silver, and lead, while her vast coal deposits are beyond compute. And climate! Here is Nature's sanitarium. Thousands upon thousands seek relief from pulmonary, bronchial, and kindred ailments by moving to this State. Very many are cured, while others find great relief. Thus our climate becomes a constant source of wealth, both to us and those who are benefited by it. And yet the matter of climate is only incidental to our growth. Colorado is rich and varied in her resources, some of which are as yet almost untouched. Railroads are projected in various directions. Surveying parties are in the field, and in some parts of the State actual construction is being pushed. Capital is no longer shy, but is pouring into the State by the million. Already the city of Pueblo has grown to be the greatest manufacturing center west of St. Louis, and has the largest single pay-roll of any city in the entire West.

This city is having an enormous growth, both in wealth and population. But the growth is not confined to the cities; it is general. Irrigation ditches are being opened and extended in all directions, thus opening to cultivation thousands of acres of fertile land. The agricultural districts are filling up with intelligent, industrious farmers from other States. And we see nothing to check the great tide of humanity heading this way. Colorado has so much to offer to the investor, the invalid, the pleasure-seeker, and the man looking for employment. They will continue to come. Before many years Colorado will be one of the great States of the Union, viewed in the light of material prosperity.

"But man shall not live by bread alone." It is not complete when we have counted the cattle, mines, and farms. If every man coming to Colorado were assured of great wealth, it would not then be complete. All the vast wealth of Colorado's hills does not constitute the "true riches." There is perhaps more spiritual poverty here than in almost any of the Western States. In a population of about six hundred thousand, there are less than fifty thousand Protestant Christians. Of this number, only about nine thousand are Baptists. So, as missionary ground, Colorado is a most inviting field. The needs, certainly, are as great as can be found in any State between the two oceans. The field is already white unto harvest, but how few and inadequate the missionary laborers. Only twenty-five men among a population of six hundred thousand!

There are scores of towns in Colorado where the Gospel is never heard from Baptist lips. There are whole counties where we have not so much as a Baptist Sunday-School. This is true, I believe, of more than one-third of the counties of the State! We need at once to increase our missionary force by putting ten new men in the field. But this is impossible with the limited funds at our disposal. We shall greatly lose by delay. This is the day of our opportunity. Baptists must get their hands on things now in this plastic period. As a denomination we are making progress in the West, but we are not learning some helpful lessons that the children of this world could teach us. We are slow to grasp the situation, and are too easily discouraged when once we do take hold.

More money must be forthcoming if we are to do a tithe of the work in Colorado that our denomination should do. Our Board can only advance as means are placed in its hands. Then, too, we need men. Men who will come to the State to lend a hand in evangelizing the people. Men who will stay by the work. Men who expect difficulties. Men who will esteem it an honor to assist in planting the Baptist banner in this great Rocky Mountain region. Colorado needs money; Colorado needs men.

UTAH AND WYOMING.

REV. BRUCE KINNEY, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

I have been on this field only two months and in that time have visited nearly every field now occupied by us which is situated on lines of railroad. In addition, I have investigated many unoccupied fields. The fields which I have visited seem to be exceptionally well manned, and in most cases the work is moving vigorously.

At Cheyenne, after six years of hard labor, Rev. S. C. Davis hopes to see his church self-supporting and out of debt by the end of this year.

At Sheridan, Rev. W. A. Petzoldt has led his people out of debt, and many improvements have been made upon the house of worship, and many have been won to Christ. Because of the very large territory, which has been covered by former General Missionaries, many needy and promising fields were necessarily neglected. It is hoped that now a real advance may be made in new and destitute fields. The most promising just now is Gillette, Wyo., and vicinity. It is hoped that very soon a man may be on the field, and that the field may be held by the Baptists for Christ. In Utah the Ogden church has been making rapid strides under the leadership of Rev. O. C. Wright. About forty have recently been added to its membership.

The East Side Church of Salt Lake City has also made marked progress

under the leadership of Rev. Frank Barnett. Never was this church more united and prosperous than now. Never were the Baptists of Salt Lake City more harmonious and progressive. The Colored work under Rev. J. W. Washington is very promising.

There are also in Utah some new fields which should be equipped with an experienced leader, and other fields once occupied and now abandoned which should be occupied again.

NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA.

GEO. H. BREWER, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Perhaps there is no part of the Southwest which presents such an attractive, rapidly developing mission field as New Mexico and Arizona.

A BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE FIELD.

Over 234,000 square miles of country is embraced within the boundary lines of these two territories. The population is increasing rapidly. Especially is this true of Arizona. The United States census, in its recently published reports, gives Arizona the largest percentage of increase in population of any section or State in the Union. Almost one-half million people now inhabit these two Territories. More are coming. Some communities have more than doubled their population within the past twelve months. Mining, farming, railroad building, cattle raising, and the lumber industries are attracting many new families to this region. Vast sums of money are being spent for improvements in all these various branches of industry. Over six hundred miles of new railroad will be constructed this year. All are agreed that these territories are on the eve of greater prosperity and advancement than has ever been known before in the history of the Southwest.

BAPTIST WORK AND WORKERS.

There are forty-six organized churches with seventeen outstations, making a total of sixty-three fields being cared for by the Conventions, in cooperation with the Home Mission Society. These churches have a total membership of nearly 1,800. Among these are five Mexican churches. Two years ago there were none. This department of our work is growing rapidly. Wherever the Word of Life is preached to the Mexican people, eager crowds listen to the message. It was at first thought that there would be great difficulty in getting the Mexicans to attend a religious

service in a Protestant meeting-house; but our experience has proven the contrary.

There have been some gracious revivals among the Mexican people. In Carlsbad, forty Mexicans have been baptized during the past eight months, sixteen of them upon a recent Sabbath afternoon. A pastor has been secured for them, and the outlook is bright.

Appeals for missionaries and Gospel work are increasing far more rapidly than our limited funds will care for.

NAVAJO INDIAN MISSION.

The Woman's National Indian Association has donated to the New Mexico Baptist Convention their buildings and grounds, situated in the interior of the Navajo Indian reservation, and a mission among this long neglected tribe of Indians has at last been established. Rev. R. B. Wright and wife are our missionaries at this station.

Great interest is being manifested by the Indians in the message of Salvation, notwithstanding the fact that the Word is preached to them through an interpreter. It should be stated here that Mrs. Wright is being supported by the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

INTERESTING FIGURES.

But one inhabitant out of each thirty-seven in New Mexico and Arizona is a member of an Evangelical church. There are nearly 200,000 Mexicans in the two Territories. It is estimated that 50,000 of these belong to the order of the Penitentes, whose ghastly and bloody sacrifices are made annually, in the vain hope of atoning for sin. The great mass of Mexicans have never even heard the Gospel of Christ preached. Over 35,000 Indians present a serious missionary problem.

The awful vice, the slight regard for human life, the terrible indifference to religious matters, which pervade the average frontier town and mining camp, make the work of the missionary hard and sometimes discouraging. However, in spite of the difficulties our work has been greatly blessed during the past year.

Eleven new churches have been organized, and several have doubled their numbers. Three new meeting-houses have been erected, one parsonage built, and many improvements made in church property. Four fields are now engaged in erecting church homes. Six building lots have been secured in as many different towns, with a view to building during the present year.

One year ago, there were no self-supporting churches in New Mexico, and but one in Arizona. To-day there are four self-supporting churches in

New Mexico, and several other churches are seriously considering the question for next year.

Twenty-eight missionaries have been under appointment. This is a larger number than has ever been employed before.

Benevolent offerings increased 45 per cent. Plans for Systematic Benevolence have been quite generally adopted throughout both Territories.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Our total appropriations will slightly exceed \$8,000. However, worthy applications from new fields and newly organized churches, amounting to about \$2,000, will probably have to be declined owing to our lack of funds; \$10,000 would scarcely suffice to meet our pressing needs.

GRATITUDE.

The Baptist constituency of New Mexico and Arizona are profoundly grateful to the American Baptist Home Mission Society for the aid they have so generously given. The souls saved, the churches established, and the gratifying growth of the work during the past few years, must be attributed, in a large measure, to the fostering care, continued interest, and material support of the Home Mission Society. The wise counsel of Rev. N. B. Rairden, D.D., the Society's representative in this district, has been of incalculable value in the administration of our work.

PACIFIC DIVISION: ALASKA, WASHINGTON, IDAHO, OREGON, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA.

C. A. WOODY, D.D., GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

The two features of special character now prevailing in this division are: First—The Conventions as a whole have cleared off their debts and enlarged their work. The last of them to free itself from debt was the Oregon Convention which reported about \$1,737 of debt at its last annual meeting. The Society was able to make a generous offer and the churches so responded to the offer that the whole of the debt was provided and has been paid. I think that the field as a whole has never been in better financial shape. This part of the work in all the Conventions at this writing seems to be satisfactory. In nearly every Convention in the field an effort has been made to more nearly care for growing needs and an enlarged financial responsibility has been assumed. This is especially true in the Conventions of Washington, Oregon and California. In East

Washington the work has been planned on a scale of \$1,500 increase; in Western Washington a somewhat larger increase was adopted; in Oregon and Northern California somewhat more than \$1,000 of an increase was approved by the Convention. Second—The further and more impressive feature of the present situation is that opportunities are increasing faster than the Conventions seem able to care for the new work presented. Immigration is larger than in recent years and hence new fields call for occupancy even more urgently than in the past. Many communities which for years did not seem to justify the expenditure necessary to care for them have assumed a larger importance by reason of an increased population. It seems to me as I recall the impressions made on my mind by what I have seen during the last six months in the large field belonging to my division that we have never had so many open doors on every hand. And the perplexity of the situation is that all parts of the field alike are growing and inviting most urgently an immediate occupancy of the new fields. I can not better make this matter clear than by a few quotations from the reports of the General Missionaries submitted to the Society herewith. Of Montana brother L. G. Clark says: "We ought to do a larger work than we are now doing in order to keep pace with the rapid material progress of our State. Surely we ought to have more than one missionary in the great Flathead valley, and more than one in the Bitter Root valley, more than one East of Livingstone, and more than one South of Butte." Of Idaho he says: "Home seekers are coming into Idaho this spring in large numbers, and there is prospect that we shall need to enlarge our work next year." And since the writing of his report information has come to me that more than confirms what he has written.

After reciting some of the items of progress on his field, saying that six new meeting houses have been building during the last year and twice as many are projected for the year to come, Rev. A. M. Allyn of East Washington says: "The tides of immigration are pouring in upon us this spring as never before, and half a score of new fields are opening upon our rapidly developing agricultural regions where men and money must be placed soon or the opportunities now open to us will be closed. The city of Spokane is growing at a rapid rate. Hundreds of homes are now building and more are soon to be begun. Other denominations are planting missions in all parts of the city, and in many instances Baptists are going to work in them because we are not able to give them any place to work. One other church, and two other Sunday Schools should be organized and three chapels should be built in Spokane at once."

General Missionary Randall of Western Washington says: "It cannot fail to interest the constituency of the Society to know that our people after prayerful and thoughtful consideration have decided to increase contributions to the Convention treasury one hundred per cent. This will be

largely realized during this present year." "The increase on this field during the last two years has been forty per cent. in workers and thirty-four per cent. in money expended." "Ten church edifices have been erected during the past year, in every case without debt." I know that the appointment of eight additional missionaries in this field would only partially care for work that needs to be done and which no one is attempting to do.

In Oregon Brother Varney recites a number of gratifying advances, including the payment of the long-standing Convention debt and a better organization of the work, and says in conclusion, "We must have five district missionaries and eight additional missionary pastors." Brother Douglass writes from Southern California that in many regions there it has been found possible during the recent "dry years" to secure water from wells of a reasonable depth so that new fruit lands are creating new towns and these are calling for religious care, but that "the slowness of Baptists to enter upon and occupy these new fields is painfully apparent." The general prosperity in that field and the considerable release from the burden of church debt recently experienced by some of the churches of that field will doubtless make some advance in the occupancy of these new fields possible next year.

In Northern California an effort has been begun of caring for the rural regions especially those in which we have a number of small churches. Three district missionaries are under appointment. In the extreme eastern part of the field a large region is now open to us in which we have a few small churches all unshepherded and where two workers are greatly needed.

Nevada is even more needy than this field already mentioned. We are having but two men in this State and the existing conditions call imperatively for a sufficient increase in appropriations from the Society to make possible the appointment of another missionary.

Two other matters are worthy of mention which just now characterize this Division. The one of these is the large effort expended in paying debts on church property, repairing church houses and the building of new church houses and parsonages. More parsonages, I think, have been secured during the last year than in any previous year of our history, and the number of new church houses planned for the year to come is large, many of which will need the help of the C. E. fund of the Society.

But the best feature of all is the considerable number of large gatherings into our churches as the result of revival meetings. Unless usual signs fail this year is to bring us a very large increase in church membership by baptism. This is one of the chief ends for which our missionary work is maintained.

Without indulging in rhetoric, and saying nothing of the immense commercial development and the large growth in allied interests all of

which stimulates the growth of population and the development of new agricultural regions and the building of new local railroad lines, I may say conservatively and honestly that never in the history of our work on the Pacific Coast as I have known it has it been more difficult to care properly for the work that we ought to be doing. Our Conventions are actually raising more money than ever before and are able to do more than they are doing, but with all this increase, actual and potential, we shall need an enlarged amount from the treasury of the Society to occupy properly this increasingly important portion of its great mission field.

ALASKA

Work in Alaska has been steadily prosecuted at Skagway by Missionary Pastor Clevenger. The town itself has not been so prosperous as formerly and this added to the burden of the pastor. Much good has been done to the passing throng and some results secured that we hope will prove permanent. A new coast center is being rapidly developed at Valdez and vicinity and there are prospects for a railway from that point to the Yukon, by way of the Copper River Valley and the Tanana Valley. From this point extends the Government wagon-road into the interior. Present prospects are that capital for the construction of the new railroad has been secured. It seems to me to be of the utmost importance that this point shall be occupied at an early date and plans looking to caring for the country developed by this road be formulated.

MONTANA AND SOUTH IDAHO.

REV. L. G. CLARK, HELENA, MONT., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

MONTANA.

Baptist work in this State during the past year has made gratifying progress.

First: A number of new churches have been organized; among these may be mentioned the churches at West Gallatin, Cottonwood, and the colored church at Butte, also the reorganization of the Swedish church at Butte.

Second: With only one or two exceptions all our mission churches have been supplied with faithful pastoral oversight during all or a greater part of the year. At present there is no church in the State in condition to call a pastor that is not supplied with preaching more or less of the time.

Third: A number of out-stations and missions have been cared for in addition to the regular work of the home churches. For example, the pastor in the Bitter Root Valley preaches at three out-stations as well as

for the three organized churches on his field. The Kalispell Church has a flourishing mission. At Billings mission work is being done for the Chinese, and we might speak of other fields like these if space would permit. Especial mention ought to be made of the large mission work being done in Butte. In addition to the work done in the two growing missions of the First Church (which was never in a more prosperous condition) the Chinese mission, cared for by Mrs. Whitmore, is doing excellent work, and its property is becoming very valuable.

Fourth: There has been a noteworthy increase in the property of the Baptist churches of the State. The Swedish church at Great Falls is about to dedicate a fine new house of worship worth from \$3,000 to \$4,000. The Billings church has gone forward with its building enterprise until its property is now worth from \$1,700 to \$2,000. A fine parsonage has been built at Great Falls (not all paid for yet). There have been extensive improvements made on a number of our church edifices.

Fifth: Some of our churches have greatly reduced their indebtedness, and are doing much more to care for themselves, so that we confidently hope there will be a number more self-supporting churches in the State soon.

Sixth: Above all, we feel thankful that there has been a noteworthy spirit of revival in many of our churches during recent months. All our pastors love to preach the simple gospel of Salvation through faith in Jesus Christ, and this kind of preaching enforced, as it is, by godly lives and earnest pastoral work is having a most beneficial effect.

This much, and much more, may be said indicating the encouragement we as Baptists have in our Montana work. And yet there are many perplexities in our work here still. Montana still is, as it has been, and will be for many years to come, a most difficult and expensive field in which to plant New Testament churches. But little of the wealth and influence of Montana is as yet in any way devoted to the interests of true Christianity. We still have to depend largely upon what comes to us from without the State to enable us to hold on and to go forward in our work.

We cannot greatly enlarge our work without much additional expenditure of mission money. And yet we ought to do a much larger work than we are now doing in order to keep pace with the rapid material progress of our State. We need more churches and many more pastors as soon as we can have the money needed to sustain them.

Surely we ought to have more than one missionary pastor in the great Flathead Valley, and more than one in the Bitter Root Valley, and more than one east of Livingston, and more than one south of Butte.

Still, we are grateful for the help that has come to us through the instrumentality of the Home Mission Society, ever kind and generous to

us. And we thank God and take courage, as we face another year with its burdens and its blessings.

In a general way what has been said of Montana may be said of

SOUTH IDAHO.

All, or nearly all, of our South Idaho churches are well supplied with pastoral oversight. But a number of our missionary pastors are obliged to have the care of two or more churches. Some also have out-stations which they look after.

There have been revival meetings of marked interest in many of the churches. At Cambridge, Middle Valley and vicinity there have been a large number of recent additions to the churches. And other fields have also been greatly blessed during the past winter.

A church was organized at Council Valley, also one at Arco during the year. Houses of worship have been dedicated at Shoshone and Hagerman, others have been greatly improved.

At Idaho Falls the house was rededicated. Home seekers are coming into Idaho in large numbers this spring, and there is prospect that we shall need to enlarge our work next year. If some well-known and efficient man like Rev. W. H. Bowler could be given district missionary work to devote his time largely to evangelistic work in Idaho it would be of great advantage to our cause.

In both Montana and South Idaho the State Board has done efficient service during the past year.

Dr. C. A. Woody, our new Superintendent of Missions, received a warm welcome among us, and his presence and help was greatly appreciated at our annual meeting.

EAST WASHINGTON AND NORTH IDAHO.

REV. A. M. ALLYN, SPOKANE, WASH., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The past year in this Convention has been one of enlargement. Our contributions for convention missions have increased from \$1,100 last year to \$1,700 this year, our missionary appropriations from \$6,150 last year to \$8,000 this year, our missionary force from an average of 17 men last year to an average of 23 men this year, and the number of churches from 53 to 60, the number of members from 2,700 to 3,100. In other lines of work we have made encouraging progress. Seven churches and five Sunday Schools have been organized. Six new meeting houses have been erected or begun, and about twice that number are projected for the coming year.

When the men now on our fields have received their commissions, we shall have under appointment 26 missionaries supplying in all 29 churches and 15 or 20 out-stations. Six churches support their own pastors, and 8 others are supplied for some portion of time by ministers who are engaged in secular pursuits, making in all 43 churches that are supplied with some preaching, and leaving 17 without any preaching. Of the latter, four fields, embracing 7 churches, are of such importance and promise that if it were allowable we should go in debt to supply them. But unless we can increase our Convention contributions at least 25 per cent. this year we shall not be able to sustain the men now on our fields without debt.

The tides of immigration are pouring in upon us this spring as never before, and half a score of new fields are opening up in our rapidly developing agricultural regions where men and money must be placed soon or the opportunities now open for our work will be closed.

But the most important field for mission work in this Convention is the city of Spokane, where we should have 7 or 8 white American churches to day, but where, until recently, we have had only two, and only one of these is decently housed. We have recently started three missions in the eastern part of the city. If we had the means to secure lots and build chapels for them these missions would very soon become strong churches. But the two established churches, barely able to sustain their own work, in debt on such buildings as they have and sadly needing better ones, are entirely unable to foster these new interests, and unless the Home Mission Society can come to their rescue, I see little hope for them.

This city is growing at a very rapid rate. Hundreds of homes are now being built and hundreds more are soon to be begun. Other denominations are planting missions in all parts of the city, and in many instances Baptists are going to work in them, simply because we are not able to furnish them a place to work. One other church and two Sunday Schools should be organized, and three chapels should be built in Spokane at once.

Our most important mission Sunday School, where we have planned to organize a church this spring, will be turned out of doors in July with no possible place to continue its existence unless means can be secured to purchase a lot and build a chapel for it before that time.

What with so many important destitute fields and pastorless churches, and our efforts to reach as many of them as possible with the means at our disposal, our missionary appropriations are necessarily so small, and our churches are so heavily taxed in the support of their pastors, that they find it impossible to contribute very much to the convention or to any other interests. For these reasons the increase of our funds does not begin to keep pace with our growing needs and opportunities. Instead of \$8,000, we should expend at least \$12,000 in missionary work this year. Men of Israel, Help!

NORTHWEST CONVENTION—WESTERN WASHINGTON.

REV. WILLIAM E. RANDALL, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

Present thinking of Western Washington Baptists is characterized by a growing realization of the magnitude of intrusted stewardship. The Puget Sound country is the cynosure of multitudes. Climate, commerce, mineral wealth, business and industrial opportunities combine to attract all classes of people. Probably no equal area of our country presents so many attractions, allurements and inducements.

Prompt, effective conservation of the religious welfare of a peculiarly heterogeneous population presents exceptional problems. Relatively few of the coming thousands accept responsibility and enter heartily into the work that devolves upon churches. Our most optimistic workers are compelled to recognize the seriousness of the situation. A splendid company of brave men and women are making heroic effort to lay foundations and minister to the multitudes in the Master's name. The generous assistance of Eastern friends, through the Home Mission Society, constitutes not merely the margin of money but the margin of encouragement and tangible sympathy that inspires to constancy and enlarged endeavor.

It cannot fail to interest the constituency of the Society to know that our people, after prayerful, thoughtful consideration, decided to increase contributions to the Convention missionary work one hundred per cent. This will be largely realized the present year.

PRESENT PROGRESS

is an earnest of future enlargement and success. In 1889 twenty-eight missionary appointments were made on our field, involving an appropriation of \$8,168.93. The following year witnessed thirty-two appointments, the expense being \$9,583.68. During the year that closed October 1, 1901, thirty-nine missionaries were appointed and the appropriations aggregated \$10,946.32. The increase in two years has been forty per cent. in workers and thirty-four per cent. in money expended.

Ten church edifices have been dedicated during the closing year. In every instance the property was offered to the Lord without incumbrance.

A BRIEF SURVEY.

The Convention has a Baptist membership of 4,273, gathered into seventy-seven churches. Eleven are Swedish, four Dano-Norwegian, four African, one German, one Japanese and fifty-seven English. Twenty per cent. of the churches are self-supporting, sixty per cent. are mission

churches, the remainder being weak and in some instances dying interests. 5,604 persons are enrolled in the Sunday Schools. Through the cooperation of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Convention, missionary work is prosecuted among seven nationalities. The entire Christian work for Oriental races has fallen to Baptists. A Chinese pastor is sustained in Seattle. The only missionary work heretofore conducted by Baptists for Japanese in America is performed at Tacoma and Seattle, by two of our missionary pastors. In the last named city we have a flourishing church composed entirely of Japanese. The importance and far-reaching influence of this work, as it favorably affects our interests upon foreign fields, cannot well be overestimated. Many of the efficient workers in the present revival in Japan were converted in our Seattle mission.

The population of Seattle, the leading commercial city, has increased twenty per cent. within the present year. City mission work has been inaugurated and a missionary, commissioned by the Society, is actively engaged in this center of population. Among the new churches organized, the Sixth Avenue Church, Tacoma, is a definite, well-planned advance movement. We now have eight Baptist churches in the city, each worshipping in its own edifice, and enjoying some degree of prosperity; a decided improvement over conditions existing five years ago. Denominational interests in Olympia, the Capital City, and Everett and Whatcom, leading commercial and industrial centers, have experienced decided advance. In each instance mentioned in this report, the better conditions are attributable to the coöperation of the Society.

The frequent visits and thoughtful counsel of C. A. Woody, Superintendent of Missions, constitute a contribution to Convention interests of inestimable value. The good measure of success that has come to the work of Western Washington Baptists grows out of the fostering care of the Home Mission Society.

After more than four years of service and association with a noble company of earnest, intelligent workers, constituting a happy period of life, my responsibilities as general missionary are transferred to Rev. L. W. Terry, who enters upon the new duties with large hopes and capabilities.

OREGON.

REV. GEO. R. VARNEY, M'INNIVILLE, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The clouds are breaking away from Oregon's sky. The sun is beginning to shine. In his cheerful light our financial, material and spiritual condition looks brighter than it has done during the long, dreary days of winter. We think spring has come. We are sowing our seed. We expect the harvest.

Since the organization of the present convention in June, 1886, the average annual indebtedness to the Home Mission Society has been \$1,258.81, and for four years of that time it amounted to over \$2,000 annually. Since April 1, 1895, a note of \$2,006.55 has been running. Payments had been made on this from time to time, but deficits on our pro rata kept the debt as indicated. October 14th Dr. Morgan telegraphed us that the Society would give us \$1,000 on the debt if we would raise the balance, which amounted at that time to \$737.83. Within ten minutes, in open convention, \$635 were pledged, which, with the amount on hand, more than covered the amount needed. December 23 the debt was paid, and for the first time since 1892 the convention was out of debt. During the six months of the present convention year our expenses have exceeded our receipts by about \$300; but this does not cause us uneasiness since we are following the "wheel plan" in our work, and never expect to receive our expenses from the churches of the four associations that have made their offering during the past two quarters. Next quarter this deficit will be paid, and a safe balance accumulated. Our cloud of debt is gone.

Two meeting houses have been dedicated, two parsonages secured, and \$1,500 spent for repairs and improvements. A number of strong additions have been made to our missionary force. One hundred and sixty dollars, a second-hand wagon and a pair of harnesses have been secured, with which to purchase a colporter wagon. A colporter has been appointed, and two-thirds of his salary promised by the Publication Society. The sky is getting brighter.

From October 1, 1900, to October 1, 1901, we employed 36 different missionaries, a larger number than ever before in the history of the convention. At the present time we have only 32 under appointment, but this number will be somewhat increased before the end of the year. Our missionaries have preached 4,150 sermons at their 41 churches and 27 out-stations, have baptized 188 persons and received 260 by letter and experience. The net increase in the membership of the mission churches has been 126, which is encouraging when it is remembered that the churches have been greatly strengthened by the cutting off of non-resident members and the addition of new converts and active Christians. No mission church, any more than any self-supporting church of the State, has had an old-time revival; but 188 of the 336 baptisms of the State have been in our mission churches. When it is remembered that the membership of our mission churches is but 1,642, and that the membership of the other churches in the Convention is 5,075, this is encouraging, as it means one baptism to every 8.7 members in the missionary churches, and one to every 34.3 members in the other churches. Our spiritual sky is brightening.

The clouds are not all gone. Of the 114 churches in the convention

only 15 are self-supporting and have pastors, 13 have pastors but receive missionary aid, 23 have regular but part-time preaching and receive aid, 22 have regular but part-time preaching and receive no aid, while 41 have no regular preaching and are practically dead. Scores of small places West of the Cascades are without preaching. At least fifty school districts in Middle Oregon have no religious services of any kind. Wallowa county, one of the most promising sections of the State, has no Baptist church. The southern part of the State from the mountains to the Idaho boundary is the devil's stronghold. Saloons, gambling dens, houses of ill-fame, and other abominations have taken root in this fertile soil, and are bringing forth a dire harvest of corruption and death. In many of the towns there is no religious service of any kind.

If the clouds are to be scattered we must have five district missionaries, three colporter wagons, and at least forty missionary pastors. We are going to plead, pray, plan, push, and persevere until we get them, and see the clouds depart and the Son of righteousness shine upon the sin-cursed souls of our State.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.

REV. E. R. BENNETT, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The following is a brief report of my services from April 31, 1901, to April 31, 1902:

I have spent in the service of the Society fifty weeks. I have visited 151 churches, some of them several times. Have attended seven Associations, the State Convention, three B. Y. P. U. Conventions, five ordination Counsels, a ten-day Summer Assembly, preached two Jubilee sermons, and numerous other meetings. I have preached 67 sermons and delivered 130 addresses. Have attended 75 prayer meetings, and 45 Sunday Schools. I have assisted in the settlement of 30 pastors, many of them introduced new into the State, and all without exception giving promise of large usefulness. Our Convention never had so many pastors as now. I have written 1,493 letters and postals, besides distributing much literature.

I have traveled 19,155 miles. For the most part, except an occasional trip pass, I have been obliged to pay half-fare, thus considerably increasing my expenses. I have recently received an annual pass. I have collected for the work of the Society \$1,586.56.

In many respects the work of our Convention for the present year is decidedly encouraging. There has been a marked increase of spirituality, and a good number of old-fashioned revivals is one of the happy results. Three of our churches have added between 60 and 100 each by baptism,

while several others have received smaller accessions. I have been making earnest efforts to organize the Associations to do the work for which they were called into being, *i. e.*, to supervise and assist with the work on their own local field, at the same time having an intelligent care for the broader work of the Convention. To accomplish this, executive boards have been formed, to work in conjunction with the State Board, and they are taking hold of the work pretty well.

The work of the Associational Missionaries has been of great value this year. Especially noteworthy is the work of Bro. Morgan of the northern or Colored Association. When he was chosen there was but one colored church, or at most two, that observed any orderly procedure, and confusion, and frequent brawls was one result. The change is little short of marvelous. Now each of our eleven colored churches is prosperous and harmonious.

Our Chinese work is moving along as well as is possible under the conditions. Our schools are much affected by the anti-Chinese agitation. The brethren are wonderfully patient, but the unconverted can hardly remain unaffected by the exhibition of bitterness, and the unchristian spirit around them constantly.

We have not yet been able to secure a leader for the Japanese work.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

REV. C. T. DOUGLASS, PASADENA, CAL., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

During the past year Southern California has made more progress, from a business standpoint, than in any previous year since I have been a resident of the State. The increase in population has been more rapid and transfers of real estate have been reported in large numbers, specially in the cities and larger towns, and also in the fruit-raising sections lying near to the centers of population. The four dry years have proven a blessing in that they have compelled persistent efforts at developing water, resulting in the assurance of an abundant supply in many localities where it was quite limited before. In some places on the desert where it had been supposed no water could be secured it has now been found that a plentiful supply can be obtained by boring wells only to a very reasonable depth; and in some sections where this has been done new towns are already springing up and land is being purchased for fruit-raising purposes. All this speaks more for the future of Southern California than any one unfamiliar with the conditions can realize.

For the past year there has been considerable improvement in our church life, and our work is now on a better basis than ever before. It has been the policy of the Convention for four or five years past to develop and

strengthen the small churches already in existence, especially those giving promise of speedy growth, rather than to organize a larger number than could be cared for. The result is that nearly all our small churches now have pastors, and in most cases good work is being done and real growth is taking place.

During the Convention year last past 25 missionaries were employed. These occupied 27 fields and 11 out-stations at a cost to the Society and Convention of about \$6,000. These missionaries preached 1,752 sermons, attended 1,152 prayer meetings, made 9,410 religious visits, baptized 83, and otherwise added to their churches 201, making a total addition for the year to the mission churches of 284 and a present membership of 1,057. They have raised for improvement of church property \$5,476, for support of pastors \$5,000, for local missions \$126.23, for State Convention \$502.10, for Home Missions \$248.98, for Foreign Missions \$296.62, for Publication Society \$15.81, and for other benevolences \$389.50.

Under the care of these missionary pastors have been 22 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of about 1,400. These have raised for their own expenses \$678.40. Many of them have also contributed to both Home and Foreign Missions.

Two new meeting houses have been built and dedicated without debt at a cost of about \$2,500 each. One of these is at Buckhorn, a country field cared for by the pastor at Santa Paula; the other is at Ontario, where the field is one of considerable promise and congregations and membership are steadily growing, and the prospect now is that it will be self-supporting after this year.

Two new parsonages have been secured, one at Santa Paula and one at Fullerton. The church at Banning is also planning to build a home for their pastor at once.

About \$7,000 has been paid on church debts, about one-half of which was received as gifts from the Church Edifice Fund of the Society which donations are highly appreciated. The churches receiving them feeling greatly encouraged are now taking hold of their work with renewed vigor.

Some of the missionary churches are asking for smaller appropriations this year than heretofore, while two or three have recently become self-supporting. But other fields are appealing for aid, and there is much new ground that should be possessed at once. The slowness of Baptists in occupying new fields is often painfully apparent. Wherever a new town is started that gives assurance of permanent growth, if we could have the necessary money to occupy it at once with a small chapel and by the organization of a Sunday School and the holding of frequent services, even though a pastor should not be placed on the field for some time, we might in many cases, by thus growing up with the town, be able to develop strong churches where otherwise we struggle on in the face of great difficulties for

years, the ground having been so preëmpted by others before our occupancy, that it is not easy for us to secure a congregation.

In all this great country there certainly is no large section that promises larger returns for the wise expenditure of money, both in the supporting of missionaries and in the erecting of meeting houses, than this South Pacific slope. Not only will strong churches be built up and Baptist influence become a power in molding the character of the future, but the money itself will, in a comparatively short time, be returned many fold.

WEST VIRGINIA.

REV. JOHN S. STUMP, PARKERSBURG, SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS.

Twelve men who have occupied twenty churches and outstations, have been commissioned by the Society during the past year. The work has been reasonably successful in most of the fields. The most satisfactory growth, however, has been at Virginia Avenue, Charleston, and at Morgantown. Both until recently were of slow growth. The conditions to be met have been at opposite extremes. The work at Charleston has been among working people, most of whom were quite poor and much affected by the financial panic of a few years ago. The chief attraction was in the great number of children in the Sunday-School, from which a competent and enthusiastic set of workers has been grown, converted, and trained. The church is now quite efficient and is making rapid progress towards self-support. At Morgantown is the State University. After long years of nursing, the church has secured up-to-date property in the heart of the town, and commands the respect and confidence of the university professors and students. The growth in membership recently has been rapid and substantial. Contributions on salary have increased nearly \$300.00 this year, and the church is to be henceforth self-sustaining.

An earnest determination to become self-sustaining is a pleasing characteristic of some other fields. But some are content to receive aid as long as the Society is willing to grant it. Indeed, in all churches there are some who are so inclined, and, if left to their inclination, are likely to prevent the financial development of the church. Such charge the missionary with mercenary motives if he attempt to secure larger gifts for church expenses. It becomes necessary in many cases for the Superintendent to shield the missionary by explaining to the church that he is required to develop the financial strength of the church as well as its spirituality and local prestige. Sometimes cases are so obstinate that the Superintendent must tell them plainly that appropriations will be withheld unless some progress is made towards self-support. In a few cases the willing-

ness is there, but the Superintendent must show them how to conduct their finances successfully.

In some instances missionary pastors forget the purposes for which money is appropriated to them, find it easier to get the salary from the Society than from the church, and become content to ask for the same amount from year to year and make no effort to cultivate in the church a spirit of self-respect and benevolence.

Fortunately, however, we have usually had a competent, conscientious body of missionaries, working among people the majority of whom were anxious to be chargeable to no one. We are entering the new year with no church on our list that does not command our respect and no missionary who does not have the good of the church and the interest of the Society at heart.

Many difficulties confront the missionaries and their churches. Some are located where there is no Baptist sentiment among the old residents, and the new population is being supplied from sections where Baptists are not numerous. The missionary works with practically no constituency. The few Baptists who are not ashamed of their name and doctrines are apt to become discouraged with the slow growth of the church. The difficulty is often augmented by the transient residence of the people. Perhaps one-third of the State is of the character just described. Such is notably the case at Elkins and other points occupied by our missionaries on the West Virginia Central and Pittsburg Railroad. There was not a Baptist church in the counties of Randolph and Tucker when the road was completed. It has been a constant struggle at Elkins to secure and hold a membership. Within the past year about one-half of the most dependable workers have moved away. It has been so before. It will no doubt be so again.

The Elkins field, however, illustrates not only the difficulty of occupying much of our territory, but the wisdom of it. The church considered at any one time must have seemed quite insignificant, although much has been accomplished in many ways. But during the ten years of Missionary Amos Robinson's work there have been organized in Tucker and Randolph seven white Baptist churches and two colored ones. Eight of these churches are still in existence, and owe that existence chiefly to our missionary and the seed sowing at Elkins. These churches are small and weak, but they command the respect of the people among whom they are located, and are necessary to the well being of the Cause of Christ.

OPPORTUNITY.

Opportunities multiply. "Opportunity" might be inscribed across the face of the map of West Virginia as the characteristic feature. More than 300 miles of railroad have been build within the past eighteen months.

This has opened up territory like that described above. Thousands of people are settled along these new lines; and the religious facilities, inadequate for the needs of the people before the roads were built, are now scarcely sufficient to check the ravages of evil among the people. Not one Baptist missionary has been placed along these lines. A few years' delay increases greatly the difficulty of establishing churches in these newly opened districts. Lots can be had now for the asking, with the condition that suitable church houses be built at once and missionaries sustained. After a few years lots, often poorly located, must be bought at high prices. The house must be built with far less sympathy and help from the community. Delay serves to establish the resorts of sin and makes it doubly hard to win souls to Christ.

All through the State are towns springing into being, and old towns being infused with new life and furnishing opportunity for introducing and establishing Baptist churches.

Every consideration of advantage and good missionary policy demands more activity in mission work in West Virginia. A close surveillance of the work of the Society in the State is needed. New fields must be selected and opened and men found for them, and all need to be encouraged and helped. The present apportionment to the State is wholly inadequate for the needs. Double the amount would seem to be an immediate necessity; while, if the Society could afford it, \$10,000 would not be an extravagant yearly expenditure.

THE FRENCH.

REV. J. N. WILLIAMS, SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Society, coöperating with the several Baptist State Conventions of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and Connecticut, has continued its work among the half million or more French Canadians that emigration from Canada has brought into the New England states. During the year thirteen French missionaries have labored under the auspices of our Society at an expenditure from our treasury of about \$6,000; from State Conventions of \$3,840, and of \$1,155 from local organizations. In addition to the above, the Rhode Island Baptist State Convention has a French missionary laboring exclusively under its auspices in Woonsocket; the Publication Society, a French colporteur in Massachusetts, and the Woman's Home Mission Society, two Bible-Women, with the large centres of French population in eastern New England, as their monthly or bi-monthly respective fields of labor.

No very great changes have occurred in the Roman Catholic situation during the year. The French Roman Catholic population is growing

rapidly in our midst by natural increase, but less by emigration from Canada than in former years. The appliances of their system of religion are being multiplied and perfected adding, of course, to the difficulties of our work. On the other hand that people are becoming somewhat more liberalized among us and less superstitious.

ALIENATION.

The evident partiality of Rome towards the Irish clergy in New England is alienating the French from the Catholic Church. The Irish clergy, though representing often a minority of Roman Catholics, holds nearly all the positions of highest honor. The vacant Diocese of Portland was recently filled with an Irishman in spite of the protests and efforts of the French who are in great majority in the State of Maine. Irish priests are frequently placed over congregations largely French. This has led to several cases of revolt against bishops' authority and even to separation, as recently in North Brookfield, etc. Mutterings of revolt are common and disaffection intense. All this may lead to emancipation from ecclesiastical control and add to our opportunities to reach that people.

A LESSON IN AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP.

A richly merited lesson was given to the illiberal and persecuting spirit of French Romanism among us in connection with our work in Putnam, Conn., last summer. One of the principal business men and largest manufacturers in the place, in approval of the work of our missionary, associated with him in out-door services. This so exasperated the devotees of Rome, that he was not only interrupted in his talk but even pursued and pelted on his way home. This was borne for a Sunday or two and fair warning given, and then some half score of the leaders in this outrage upon the religious rights of American citizens, were summoned into court and fined quite heavily. It put an end to such demonstrations of ignorance and bigotry, not only in this centre of that population, but wherever this assertion of our rights became known.

A HUMILIATING DEFEAT.

The Romish hierarchy met with a very humiliating defeat in well laid plans to establish a great money-making superstition in the largest centre of our New England French population, Fall River. The Order of the Dominicans undertook to import from France into the Land of the Pilgrims a famed relic, "a bone from the arm of Saint Ann" and transfer it to one of the great French churches of which they have the

control in Fall River. All that eloquent speech and rich trappings, gorgeous ceremonies, and the presence of the highest dignitaries could do, to boom this "bone," was done, and pilgrimages of the faithful from north-east towns, bringing treasure and worship to this shrine, had begun and were in full swing when all calculations were upset. Thieves, one or more, broke in one night and stole the mighty relic, leaving not the shadow of a clue for recovery except that the thing had been done by some of their own people, perfectly familiar with church secrets and premises. Of course, the great superstition and its prestige was all knocked into smithereens. Though abhorring vandalism, we could but rejoice at this rebuke of Christianized idolatry.

It has not been a special harvest year in our French missions, yet all of them report accessions by conversions and baptisms, the highest number of the latter being sixteen from Worcester, the oldest of our fields, and fourteen from Gardner, the newest. Of the work in the two chapels in Worcester, Bro. St. James writes: "We have had a very prosperous year in our missions." Missionary Perron of Gardner gives this good report: "I am happy to say that God has blessed us during the past year we might say above our expectations. We have had fourteen baptisms, all from the Church of Rome. We are greatly encouraged for the future. Seven are now awaiting baptism, and others are studying the Word of life to find salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ."

This valuable testimony, as to the general results of missionary labors among French Canadians and other foreigners among us, was given in the last Annual Report of the Massachusetts Baptist State Convention: "A survey of these missions, as a whole, shows results in conversions and baptisms in larger numbers than among churches and pastors with far more perfect equipment and generations of Christian influence behind the efforts of to-day." We regret that space allotted to us this year forbids our giving scarcely anything more than generalities and briefest summaries of a work that has been quite full of interesting incidents. Rev. P. N. Cayer says of the mission of Waterville, Me.: "The work is progressing, our meetings are very good; the people, as a rule, are more accessible to the Gospel. I have never seen the Romanists discuss so freely the Word of God and the great question of salvation." Among three other cases of conversion he mentions that of "a young French Catholic woman of some influence in the church, as she was the organist in the Roman Catholic church." Rev. N. N. Aubin of Providence, writes: "In visiting about 400 Roman Catholic families I was greatly impressed with this fact: That the Roman Catholic French, as a rule, are willing to read the Bible, but if they do they are sure to be persecuted by the priest." In the above canvass, he discovered no less than seven cases where priests had burned New Testaments.

Bro. T. Tétreault, laboring in Connecticut, speaking of some conversions in his field, says of one, that of an overseer in one of the large mills in the place: "It will, I believe, lead to great results. His wife and their seven very intelligent children, according to present appearances, will also soon be fully won over to the truth." The Rev. L. O. Côté of New Bedford, writes March 17th: "Three converts have been buried with Christ by baptism; others are to follow soon, probably on Easter day. Our meetings are well attended. A Bible-woman after God's own heart, and a place of worship centrally located, would effect great things just at present in this field, in the saving of souls." Rev. I. Lafleur of Lowell, says: "We have been the means directly or indirectly of bringing into the fellowship of the First Baptist Churches of Lowell and Lawrence some fourteen members; \$300 have been given by our people. One of our members has been elected a councilman of our city, and that right here in our French Catholic Ward." Rev. O. Brouillette, laboring in Marlboro, says: "Of the victories we have won over error and sin the past year one deserves special mention. It is a marvelous conversion. Coming to the United States, this French Canadian bought a furnished saloon in New Hampshire. In one of the drawers of the saloon was a Bible. It was his now, the first one he had ever owned. At his leisure moments he would read the sacred book. After a while, having given up his business, he moved with his family to this city. We met him shortly after his arrival here, and finding him receptive to the truth we began to labor with him and did so patiently for two years, when he made a full surrender to the Lord and confessed him publicly in baptism. His wife is waiting for baptism. Four of his children are in the Sunday School. We praise the Lord for this wonderful conversion from Rum and Romanism. It is a great victory."

Rev. G. Aubin, missionary in Fall River, the largest centre of French in all New England, has gathered a few sheaves and expects a great harvest. "Five have taken their stand," he writes, "on the solid rock. I expect to see a great day in Fall River. The leaven of the Gospel is mightily at work in hundreds of Roman Catholic families. The greatness of the harvest will be a surprise. I am sure my enthusiasm does not deceive me. By the means of my printing press I am preaching the Gospel to about 2,000 Romanists every week." The Rev. G. G. Brien, after laboring several years in Nashua, N. H., during which he has secured for our work the erection free of debt of a fine chapel and a French orphanage building, has resigned and will, we hope, ere long do as good a work in some other important field. Several invitations have come to us from pastors and workers in Vermont urging the inauguration of French work in that State. We do hope that a State with such a large French population, and within the borders of which a few years ago, many notable

conversions among the French Canadians occurred, will not continue much longer, the only New England State where no missionary work is being done. A little French revival meeting was recently held in Salem, the mission field of our Bro. Rev. J. C. Smith, with results of half a dozen or more conversions. Our missionary, Rev. B. F. Benoit has had in his field in Webster a few conversions of more than ordinary interest and value.

GERMAN WORK.

REV. G. A. SCHULTE, WEST HOBOKEN, N. J., SUPERINTENDENT.

The year now ending has been one of steady growth. Not all our expectations have been realized, yet we have occasion to rejoice in the success achieved.

ENCOURAGING OUTLOOK.

The number of our German churches has increased to 260, and the membership to 23,300. There were 1,223 additions by baptism during the year; nine new churches were organized, and thirteen new chapels dedicated; 22,000 scholars in the Sunday Schools connected with German Baptist Churches were instructed in the Word of God by 2,958 teachers. The seed thus sown in the youthful hearts will no doubt in due time bear precious fruit.

Financially the churches made rapid strides forward. They raised for current expenses \$216,943.23, and for other objects \$45,765; total, \$262,708.23. The Sunday Schools raised and expended \$17,241.03, the Woman's Missionary circles \$9,183.71, and the Young People's Societies \$5,494. This makes a grand total of \$294,627.04, or \$12.65 per member. This is a creditable showing and speaks well for the liberality of the churches, especially when we consider the fact that the members of the churches, with few exceptions, belong to the laboring class, and but little wealth is found in their possession.

OUR MISSIONARIES.

In all, 85 missionaries have been under appointment for the whole or part of the year. They report 3,154 weeks of labor, 8,934 sermons preached, they led 4,294 prayer meetings, made 30,233 pastoral visits, baptized 441 converts, and received by letter and experience 343 persons. Twelve new mission fields were occupied, and five missions were organized into churches. Two mission churches became self-sustaining.

SURVEY OF THE FIELD.

The territorial area of the district of which I have the oversight is very extensive. The missionaries are laboring in twenty-one States and in four Provinces of Canada; they are located as follows: 2 in Connecticut, 7 in New York, 6 in New Jersey, 5 in Pennsylvania, 3 in Ontario, 2 in Indiana, 5 in Michigan, 7 in Illinois, 3 in Wisconsin, 3 in Iowa, 3 in Minnesota, 4 in South Dakota, 6 in North Dakota, 2 in Missouri, 5 in Kansas, 2 in Nebraska, 3 in Oklahoma, 1 in Colorado, 3 in California, 4 in Oregon, 2 in Washington, 2 in Manitoba, 3 in Assiniboia, and 1 in Alberta.

It is presumed that I know from personal observations the conditions of each field, and am acquainted with the workers. From such acquaintance, which I have it made it my business to be as thorough as possible, I can truthfully say that I believe our missionaries are noble men of God and faithful workers in the Master's Cause. They are often laboring under great disadvantages, they have many difficulties to encounter, not only those who are doing pioneer work on the prairies of the great West, but also those whose work is among the teeming multitudes of Germans in the large cities of the East. Hence they need greatly the prayers of God's people to remain steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord.

Space will not permit a detailed report of the work of all of the missionaries under appointment and of the fields they occupy. The experiences and results of one mission field is in some measure a duplicate of others. I will, therefore, simply note a few items of special interest.

NOTEWORTHY ITEMS OF INTEREST.

A little over a year ago a missionary was appointed at Munson, Clearfield Co., Pa., to labor among the large body of Germans settling in that rough and hilly mining country. There were a few Baptists among them, members of the German church at Williamsport. This church took a great interest in the people, and the pastor occasionally visited the field. The Lord blessed the labors of our missionary, converts were baptized, and a church was organized, which has now a membership of 52. An inexpensive but well adapted chapel has been erected and paid for, and a lot for a parsonage has been secured. Thus "a city is set on a hill" among a population of hard-working coal miners, which always offer fruitful soil for the spreading of dissatisfaction and anarchistic ideas.

A NEW CHURCH IN CHICAGO.

That model church in starting missions, the First German of Chicago, was again permitted to see one of her missions grow into a church. The

"South Side Mission" has been organized with about fifty members as an independent Baptist church, and was recently recognized by a council of sister churches as the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church of Chicago, being located on the corner of Fifth Avenue and 27th Street in a house provided by the mother church. There is a great difference between the residents of Fifth Avenue, Chicago, and the same named avenue in New York. The former is a locality where effective and successful mission work can be done among a population belonging to the lower and middle classes of Germans.

NEW FIELDS IN NORTH DAKOTA.

One of our most hardworking and self-sacrificing workers in North Dakota is Rev. J. Reichert. He was the missionary who first called attention to the larger settlement of Russians west of Balfour, where the first Russian Baptist church was organized last summer, called the Baptist Church of Liberty. Bro. Reichert, on one of his mission tours came into this settlement, and as he was somewhat familiar with the language he preached to the people in their own tongue, and found to his surprise quite a number of Baptist believers, and others willing to follow the Master. The interesting history of the subsequent organization of the church has been reported by Dr. O. A. Williams, and is no doubt familiar to the friends of the Society.

Since last June Bro. Reichert labored in a district extending forty miles south and the same distance north of Bismarck. There are a number of new German settlements along the Missouri, and large numbers of Germans have come in and taken up land for homesteads. The Lord blessed his labors with great success. Converts were baptized, two churches were organized, one with a membership of over fifty, and another with twenty, and a number of converts are awaiting baptism. The field is too large for one man, and the immediate building of two meeting-houses is an absolute necessity.

A VISIT TO THE NORTHWEST.

Last summer I made an extensive tour through the Northwest. Among other places I visited the large district extending along the Soo Line from Fessendorf, N. D., to near Balfour, almost exclusively settled by Germans. The partial failure of crop in 1899, and the total failure in the following year brought the large majority of these new settlers almost down to starvation point. The German churches throughout the country raised money for flour, and the Women's Societies supplied them with clothing. The work on this field was very successful. Our missionary

baptized in less than three years 146 converts, and organized two churches, who have now a combined membership of nearly three hundred.

During my stay I attended a large meeting of representatives of all the mission stations in the district for consultation in regard to means and ways to prosecute the work in the future. A vote of thanks was passed for the aid received during the winter, which I was instructed to convey to the churches. I shall never forget the deep feeling of gratitude which manifested itself in this meeting. Strong, bearded men wept tears of thanks for the aid received, without which they declared their children would have suffered for want of food and necessary clothing.

WINNIPEG AND NORTHWEST TERRITORIES.

The dedication of a new house of worship in June last at Winnipeg, Man., which I was privileged to attend was an event of more than ordinary interest to the German Baptists beyond our border, and was a red letter day in the history of the church at Winnipeg. Through the indefatigable efforts of Bro. W. Schunke, funds were raised for the erection of a suitable church building at this strategic point of missionary operation for the Northwest Territories. Although this work lies outside our boundaries, it still is within the limits of North America. We assist in the support at present of five missionaries, who send in encouraging reports. Bro. Fenske on his new field at Yankton, Ass., reports for his first quarter 40 converts baptized, and Bro. Pekrul, also a new man at Neudorf, Assa., rejoices in the conversion and baptism of 23 since the first of June.

WASHINGTON.

Nothing has been done until recently for the Germans flocking to the State of Washington. A missionary was appointed in Tacoma, who succeeded in organizing a church. A house of worship, belonging formerly to the Congregationalists, well located for a mission work among the Germans, was purchased for a modest price, and renovated in such a manner that it will not only give the church a house of worship, but also provides a home for the missionary and his family. It was a day of rejoicing for the little band when, in October, the German Baptist church was recognized by a council of sister churches, and when, at this same time, the brethren could participate in the service of dedication of the new church.

A second missionary has been under appointment since September in the Eastern part of the State to do pioneer work among the numerous Germans, who have made their home in that part of the State. It was my pleasure to go over the field and preach to attentive hearers. A church

of thirty members was recently organized with Odessa on the Great Northern as centre. The field is very extensive. Many open doors are found to preach the Gospel among German communities. The reports of our missionary are very encouraging, and we expect that his hard and self-denying labors will in the course of time bring precious fruit.

OUR MISSION NOT YET ACCOMPLISHED.

We have occasion to rejoice in the success achieved, but our mission is not accomplished, and will not be as long as immigration from Germany continues. The work is from year to year increasing. New mission interests are constantly planted, and new churches organized in the midst of vast German populations. Each church is a mighty evangelizing force, but in the struggle of its beginning unable at least for a time to support itself. The multiplying of German churches, as witnessed in recent years, is a cause for increasing the support of the Home Mission Society for this work, for so many more churches means so many more evangelizing forces, which can work efficiently only when properly equipped.

PRESENT CONDITION OF WORK AMONG THE SWEDES.

REV. A. P. EKMAN, NEW YORK.

In a few months half a century will have passed since the first Swedish Baptist Church was organized in the New World. The organization was effected in Rock Island, Illinois, on September 26, 1852, by six members. Four years previous a similar organization was effected in Sweden by the same number of members. From this small beginning have, within forty-nine years or up to January 1, 1902, sprung 318 churches with 21,776 members, organized into 16 State and District Conferences, which are united again into one General Conference, holding its annual meeting in September. These churches are distributed over 28 States of the Union and a few are scattered over Canada.

From the very first the American churches interested themselves for our people. Gustavus Pamqvist had been converted before he landed in this country, and had also served his brethren, religiously inclined, as a lay preacher. But it was the First Baptist Church in Galesburg, Ill., that baptized him, in June, 1852, and in about a month later ordained him to the Ministry, after which the Home Mission Society took him up and set him to work among his countrymen. At about the same time Andreas Wiberg was baptized in Denmark, on his way to America, and when he landed in New York he was heartily received by the First Baptist Mariners' Church, whose members were already greatly interested in the Swedes, through

Captain Schroder, who had already been its member for eight years. Here Mr. Wiberg was almost immediately set to work preaching the Gospel to his countrymen, and thus the work was almost simultaneously started on the Hudson and the Mississippi.

The first twenty-five years were especially full of hardship and struggle and the progress was necessarily slow.

From 1852 to 1877 inclusive, there were only 6 churches organized in Illinois, 5 in Iowa, 1 in Maine, 1 in Massachusetts, 2 in Michigan, 24 in Minnesota, 2 in Missouri, 4 in Nebraska, 1 in New York, 2 in South Dakota, and 3 in Wisconsin—51 in all, with about 3,000 members. Meagre as these early years may seem in immediate results, they represent a great deal of hard work and self-denial on the part of the early workers and the feeble churches, as well as a constant aid and watch-care on the part of the Home Mission Society.

The small churches were not only few and far between, but the true and tried laborers that could stand firm in adversity as well as prosperity and give true direction and strength to the work were still fewer.

There were, however, some good, and in some instances very able men, who gave more or less of their time to the work in those early years whose names are gratefully remembered. For instance, G. Pamqvist and A. Wiberg already mentioned, and F. O. Nelson, Dr. J. A. Edgren, John Erickson, John Anderson, Captain R. E. Jeanson, O. Okerson, O. Lindh, N. E. Axling, John Ring, John Ongman, N. J. Nylander, John Hallstram, Andrew Blomgren, L. Johanson, N. Hayland, Christopher Silene, Frank Peterson and others. These brethren had to conquer many obstacles and overcome great prejudices in laying the foundations upon which, during the latter twenty-five years, there has been built with so great success.

As I was to write a report, and not a history, I shall close this reminiscence by stating that since 1877 the number of churches have multiplied more than six times and the number of members more than seven times. This rapid growth is due partly to immigration, but chiefly to the work of the Swedish Theological Department at Morgan Park, which was founded by Dr. J. A. Edgren, 1871, and now for many years has been under the able leadership of Prof. C. G. Lagergren, Dean of the Department.

During the later years the Publication Society has also been doing a great deal in the line of literary and Sunday School work among our people. The denomination has also been blest for the last twenty-five years with an excellent denomination paper, *Nya Vecko Posten*, for many years ably edited by Rev. E. Wingren, of Chicago. Other later publications are also exerting a good influence. But next to the blessing of God, however, the largest credit is due to the Home Mission Society and its missionaries for the work that has been accomplished.

During the year 1901 there were received into the churches: By baptism, 1,086; by letter from churches in this country, 971; by letter from Sweden, 187; by restoration, 218; by experience of those baptized outside of the denomination, 79; total, 2,541. Decrease: By letter to American churches, 100; by letter to Swedish churches in America, 1,119, and Sweden, 45; by exclusion, 433; by erasure, 313, and by death, 198; total, 2,208; net increase, 233.

The number of pastors is 191, hence 127 churches are without the care of a regular pastor. There are besides, 102 preachers, comprising professors, itinerants, missionaries and local preachers.

Of these churches, 245 own houses of worship, and 73 have none. The church property is valued at \$950,658.92, on which rests a debt of \$191,481.65. Eighty churches own parsonages valued at \$98,840, with an indebtedness of \$22,765.40. Total value of property belonging to these churches is \$1,056,901.33.

Most of the churches have Sunday Schools in which there are 16,697 children and 2,314 officers and teachers. The average attendance is 13,356, and the whole number of old and young in the schools is 19,980.

For running expenses there was paid out last year, \$151,717.01; for buildings and repairs, \$36,605.55; paid on church debts, \$23,822.36; for Sunday Schools, \$13,892.85; for benevolent purposes, \$14,358.78.

For missions in the Homeland: To the General Conference, \$2,225.50; to State Conferences, \$5,450.42; to Sunday School unions, \$907.23; to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, \$1,619.95; to American State Conventions, \$1,293.01; to the American Baptist Publication Society, \$941.89; to the Women's Baptist Home Mission Society, \$1,068.98; other Home Mission purposes, \$4,562.67; total, \$18,069.65.

Foreign Missions: To the American Baptist Missionary Union, \$6,374.84; to the Woman's Baptist Foreign Mission Society, \$978.27; for other Foreign Missions, \$2,260.78; total, \$9,613.89. Grand total expenditures for the year, \$268,080.09.

Long live the Home Mission Society to bring the glad tidings of Jesus the Saviour to every kindred and tongue and nationality within its reach, and, "Unto Him that sitteth on the throne, and unto the Lamb, be the blessing, and the honor, and the glory, and the dominion, for ever and ever." Amen.

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE EASTERN CUBA MISSION:

H. R. MOSELEY, D.D., SUPERINTENDENT.

Work was begun by the American Baptist Home Mission Society in Santiago, October, 1899, by Rev. H. R. Moseley, general missionary, and Rev. T. Barocio, evangelist.

In September, 1898, Rev. J. R. O'Halloran, missionary of the Southern Baptist Convention, had begun work and had preached to immense crowds. He baptized more than one hundred people, and organized them into a church. This work had been done hurriedly and was not permanent. So when we began we found we could not build upon the foundation laid by Mr. O'Halloran.

In January, 1900, Revs. H. R. Moseley and T. Barocio organized the first Baptist church of Santiago, with some seventy members. This church has grown steadily until now we have 140 members, 7 Sunday Schools with an attendance of 350, a live Senior Christian Endeavor Society of 40 members, and a still larger junior society. In 1901 we organized a day school, with Misses Gowen and Barkley as teachers.

We have extended our work in and around Santiago until we now have regular weekly preaching services in six stations within fifteen miles of Santiago, viz.: El Caney, Boniato, San Vicente, Cristo, Dos Caminos and San Luis. These are towns of from 600 to 5,000 people, and in only one of them is there a Roman Catholic service. We have large crowds to attend our services, good Sunday Schools, and much interest. We hope to organize a church of fifteen members in Boniato this month, and have baptized in El Caney a number who will soon be organized into a church. In all of these stations there are many who gladly hear the word and we confidently expect a large ingathering at an early day. Rural Cuba offers unrivaled opportunities to the earnest missionary.

We have a valuable property, well located, in Santiago. Our church building will seat about 400, and back of this are the school rooms and pastor's residence.

GUANTÁNAMO AND VICINITY.

When we began work in Guantánamo in 1900, we found that a work similar to that in Santiago had been done there by Mr. O'Halloran. Many had been baptized, a church organized and a man ordained as pastor. This man proved to be a man of no character and injured the cause terribly. We reorganized the church in April, 1901, and Rev. A. B. Carlisle was located there, but not being very successful, he returned to the United States after one year's work. Guantánamo is the only place we have tried to work where we have not met with success, but we have not lost hope.

MANZANILLO.

Work was begun here in 1899 by Rev. M. M. Calejo, who toiled faithfully until September of 1901, when he was forced to resign because of ill health. We have in Manzanillo a church of fifty-two members with good

congregations and much enthusiasm. Ten approved candidates are awaiting baptism, and others are candidates. Though this church has been without a pastor for six months they have held one service a week and are earnest workers. There are, in connection with Manzanillo, three or four promising out-stations where services were regularly held. We are expecting a pastor for this important field soon. In the meanwhile, visits are made by the general missionary and the pastor of the Santiago church. We have bought a good lot in Manzanillo, and hope, at an early day, to have a chapel there.

PUERTO PRINCIPE.

Work was begun here in June, 1901, by Rev. D. A. Wilson, who, for many years, had been a missionary in Mexico. Puerto Principe is one of the most aristocratic and fanatical cities in the island. Bro. Wilson has good congregations, has organized a Sunday School, and hopes to organize a church soon. He is specially instructing quite a number who have applied for admission. He holds regular preaching services in Minas and Nuevitas, important towns on the railroad between Puerto Principe and the north coast. In both of these towns the congregations are good and the outlook encouraging.

In two and a half years we have organized three churches and will organize two others in the immediate future; we have ten Sunday Schools with 500 children, one day school, fine church property in Santiago, and a lot in Manzanillo.

What of the future?

Wide open doors on every hand, but no workers. Hundreds of towns and villages could be taken for Christ, but we lack the workers.

Our most urgent needs are chapels for Manzanillo and Puerto Principe, and a good, strong, young American for Nipe-Holguin district. Nipe, which will be the eastern terminus of the Cuban Central railroad, now building, is destined to be *the* city of Eastern Cuba. The bay of Nipe is said to be the finest deep water bay on the island. The builders of the Cuban railway intend to make Nipe a great modern city. Is there not a consecrated talented brother among Northern Baptists who will apply for Nipe-Holguin district?

NORTHERN PORTO RICO.

REV. H. P. M'CORMICK, SAN JUAN, P. R., GENERAL MISSIONARY.

MISSIONARY TEACHER, MISS IDA HAYES.

The first evangelical work among Porto Ricans was begun in February, 1899, in the city of San Juan, and under the direction of the Rev. H. P.

McCormick. Almost simultaneously services were begun at Rio Piedras, six miles distant from the capital.

The church in San Juan now has fifty-six members, and the Rio Piedras church 110. Both have prosperous Sunday Schools, and sustain mission stations at adjacent points, and are most important moral forces in their respective communities. Rio Piedras is rapidly becoming the chief educational centre of the island, and the church there is awake to the importance of its opportunity and responsibility.

Towards the east there are churches organized at Carolina and Mediana, and several preaching stations under charge of Sr. Pedro Cabrera, a consecrated and useful native. This work was begun two years ago, and already the Mediana church has become independent and has its own pastor, and conducts its work with no assistance from the Society. Mediana and Carolina both need church houses. Though there are only few members baptized on that field, there are many awaiting baptism, and the future of the cause is assured.

The Caguas District, under care of Sr. Carmelo Diaz, includes the churches of Caguas and Aguas Buenas, and the stations at Gurabo, San Lorenzo, Juncos, and Cayey, all important inland towns. This work was begun about two years ago, and had to win its way, for this district has ever been the centre of the strongest anti-American spirit on the island. The two small churches are full of enthusiasm, however, and the next quarter will show a large increase in their membership.

It should be borne in mind that it is very difficult to build up churches when the congregation must gather in the cramped quarters afforded by rented private houses, and that meeting-houses should be at once built in several of these towns.

By the territorial division adopted by evangelical bodies in Porto Rico, the very heart of the island, the great artery of commerce, and almost two hundred thousand people, are placed under charge of the Home Mission Society. Brethren Rudd and McCormick, and our noble women-workers, Mrs. Duggan and Miss Hayes, are overburdened. They have opened splendid territory. God is raising up consecrated native help, but other trained American missionaries are immediately needed for the development and training of the new hosts entering into our churches.

SOUTHERN PORTO RICO.

WORKERS—REV. A. B. RUDD, GENERAL MISSIONARY; MRS. J. P. DUGGAN, AMERICAN ASSISTANT; MANUEL TERRON AND EUGENIO ALVARADO,

NATIVE HELPERS.

Baptist mission work in this field will celebrate its third birthday on June 30th of the present year. With Ponce as a center, the work has been

pushed out into the surrounding towns and country places. Four churches with a combined membership of 211 are a partial result of the work. These churches are as follows:

PONCE.

Present membership, 127; number in Bible School, 250 (210 present last Sunday); congregations large at all services. An excellent lot has been purchased and within the next few weeks we hope to begin work on a church building with seating capacity of 400.

Besides the morning Bible School of this church, four afternoon schools have been organized, two in the city and two in the country, with a combined attendance of some 200.

ADJUNTAS.

Present membership, 29; number in Bible School, 100. This church is now under the care of Eugenio Alvarado, a capable native brother, who, in addition to his work in the town, holds weekly services in the surrounding country districts. The missionary is now negotiating for the purchase of a valuable piece of property which will give us an excellent location for a neat chapel in hope to build in the not far distant future. A recent visit to Adjuntas shows the work to be in excellent condition.

LA PLAYA.

Membership, 34. Bible School numbers about 75. The work has moved along quietly though with much promise. As La Playa is only two miles from Ponce, this work is under the direct care of the General Missionary.

YAUCO.

Membership, 21; number in Bible School, 35. This is the only church organized during the present year and is under the care of Manuel Lebron, the first man baptized on the island, who, with Yauco as a center, reaches Guanica and Guayanilla, having thus a compact and promising field.

Since the first of this year regular services have been held in Coamo, a town twenty miles from Ponce on the military road leading to San Juan, where the outlook for the work is bright.

Some ten miles farther up the road is Aibonito, a beautifully located mountain town, the highest on the island, where the missionary purposes opening work as soon as the Society finds that its treasury will justify

this small additional expense. This will give us an almost unbroken line of mission stations from Guanica on the southwest to San Juan on the northeast of the island, and will mark the limit of the possibilities of extension with the present small force on the field.

Work in many thickly settled country districts is being pushed and promises much for the future.

No feature of the work is more worthy of note than that of Mrs. Dugan among the women and children. On every hand open doors and hungry hearts await her, and were she *four* workers instead of *one*, it would still be impossible to meet the many demands that are constantly made on her strength. She hopes to sail in a few days for a much needed and richly deserved rest.

The past year has been marked by an unprecedented activity on the part of Romanists and Spiritualists. The adherents of each of these forms of error are copying the methods of the missionary in propagating their doctrines. Notwithstanding, the outlook for the Truth is bright and brightening.

Shall not our far too small missionary force be increased in the near future?

THE CITY OF MEXICO.

REV. WILLIAM H. SLOAN.

Probably no city on the American continent offers a fairer field for missionary effort than does the City of Mexico, the capitol and metropolis of a great republic that is exciting to a marked degree the attention of the statesmen of to-day. Mexico is now taking no backward steps; she is moving steadily ahead in the path of progress. The wise rule of President Porfirio Diaz, the liberal policy of the present Congress, and the sagacious and up-to-date administration of the municipal councils of nearly every city in the country, are contributing to bring about great changes in this interesting country. Since we came here seventeen years ago, we have witnessed a transformation in the material aspects of the city and in social and religious conditions that we hardly dreamed of, although we felt certain that great things were in store for this oldest city of North America. There are new buildings of modern architecture, many of them owned by Americans, rapidly extending lines of electric street railway; broad streets and boulevards that ten years ago were paved with coarse cobblestones that would persistently sink into the soft soil on which the city is built, are now solid and smooth with asphalt. Even American electric street lighting was not sufficient for these Mexicans who never do things by halves, and the finest plant a Berlin firm could erect has taken

the place of old. But we need not go on. Marvelous has been the material progress; we could not use so strong an adjective when speaking of educational advance, but there is unquestionably a movement in the right direction.

Under all this fair exterior there is a deep substratum of sin in all its forms. Wickedness is rife, and one is appalled sometimes at the slight regard shown for even the common decencies of life, let alone the higher laws of God which these people pretend to observe. Large numbers of Americans who come into the country add to the prevailing disregard of the moral law, and their flagrant vices increase the difficulty we have in reaching the people with the Gospel. The open violation of the Sabbath everywhere, the careless observance of the marriage relation, the keeping of mistresses by men in high positions, who should set a better example before their people, the abounding drunkenness among the lower classes, the gambling, the inefficiency of the artisan classes in their work, the fanatical prejudices of a race brought up under the fostering care of corrupt Rome, make Christian work here as hard as it can be in any part of the world. The people are sorely in need of the Gospel. Without it, they must be lost. We see no hope for them, as long as they hold to their present faith.

Protestant missions in the city are four, and all are well established, the Baptist never better than at present, although we are far from being where we wish, and where we believe the Lord wants us to be. Our percentage of improvement during the year we believe to be better than that of any any other denomination, since our educational work has assumed such importance. The reports rendered to us by Miss Bessie Richards, of the Kindergarten department, and Mrs. M. A. Grisham, of the day school, are both very flattering, and the work done by these devoted women is having a marked effect for good upon our congregations and Sunday Schools. New pupils have been added to our three city Sunday Schools as the result of their attendance in our two secular schools, and the parents of many of these children have been brought into our congregations. Some of them have been baptized. The two schools mentioned, the first one being under the care of the Women's Society of Chicago, and the second sustained by that of Boston, are full to overflowing, and children seeking an education are turned away daily. Mrs. Grisham's school is so crowded that all sorts of makeshifts are provided to arrange even standing room for the pupils that are enrolled. A larger building is imperatively needed for this work, one where the two schools could be under the same roof, and higher departments added. God grant that some of the noble givers of the United States may speedily turn their attention to our educational needs in the City of Mexico.

Our Baptist paper *La Luz* has a slightly increased subscription list over

former years, although it is far yet from being self-sustaining. The output of the mission-press has been large. Several hundred parcels of Spanish tracts have been sent to Spain, South America, Cuba, Puerto Rico and the Philippines. These were all printed out of private funds furnished us for the purpose. We should be glad to receive larger donations for this work, as well as for the purchase of Bibles and Testaments. We have hoped to place in *La Luz* departments devoted to Cuba and Puerto Rico, and have requested brethren in those islands to avail themselves of this privilege. Thus far the matter is under advisement. During the year, the most important publication ever issued in Spanish by a mission press, the Spanish Concordance to the Holy Scriptures, was turned off the little press in the City of Mexico belonging to the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Preaching services in the main church have been well attended. The Sunday School has been reorganized by the addition of new teachers and classes. Harmony prevails among the missionaries, and in the church and its missions. Too much cannot be said in praise of the pastor's assistant, Mr. Ernesto Barocio. He has looked after the mission with painstaking fidelity, and in addition has served the church in its different services, when mission business elsewhere has called the pastor away from home.

Our mission at Guadalupe, founded by the Woman's Alliance of New Haven, Conn., and sustained by it for several years with marked generosity, has, during the year, passed under the fostering care of The Woman's Home Mission Society of Boston, but we fear will not long claim its care. The priests have left no stone unturned to eject us from the town of Guadalupe, and we have now had notice served upon us that the mission house out there is at last sold to a fanatical Mexican, and that we must vacate the premises the latter part of this month. Of course we shall look for another house, or we shall plead with the new owner to let us remain where we are, but the outcome seems to be assured already. It looks very much as though the days of that promising mission were ended. But the Lord, who has helped us to hold the fort there for the last four or five years, may come to our aid now, and enable us to continue our work in that stronghold of idolatry.

During the year we have been enabled to visit different parts of the country, and help our brethren in their trying labors. Such trips have been taken to the far south in the State of Michoacan, to the cities of San Luis Potosí, Monterey, and elsewhere. The Lord has graciously blessed the efforts put forth in those places.

City of Mexico, March, 1902

NUEVO LEON, MEXICO.

REV. ALEJANDRO TREVINO, MISSIONARY.

I will endeavor to give you an idea of the condition of Baptist work in the State of Nuevo Leon. This cannot be considered as a sterile field for the preaching of the gospel, although we have had to encounter here serious difficulties. Among the advantages we may consider these: Nuevo Leon is one of the States of the Republic which has the largest number of schools in proportion to the number of its inhabitants, and consequently popular education is more widely diffused. It is also one of the States in which Romanism exerts little influence. The people are more liberal in their ideas, and for that reason one rarely sees here those repugnant aspects of fanaticism that are so common in the interior of the country. Moreover, the State and especially its Capital, is an industrial center of much importance. Its large factories, foundries and manufacturing establishments attract people from all parts of the country and from beyond our borders; and this current of new people and this industrial movement produce a condition favorable for the preaching of the Gospel.

Nuevo Leon is also a border State and its geographical position places it face to face with the strong Christian nation of the United States. The direct communication, the close relations, the mercantile transactions and immigration from the United States have had a favorable influence on the religious condition of our people. I will not fail to mention that probably owing to its proximity to the United States this State was one of the first, if not the very first, to receive the gospel, as it has been preached here since the year 1862, in which Rev. James Hickey, the first Baptist minister, came to the State. So that the constant preaching for a period of 40 years has not been without a powerful influence over the social and religious life of our people.

I have mentioned thus far some of the advantages. I will now speak of disadvantages. We feel very deeply the need of workers in this field. There are places where missionaries could be placed to reap the harvest that is now white. But where shall we find laborers? Where are the funds with which to sustain them? Instinctively we turn our eyes towards the Christians of your country and we say to them as the man of Macedonia said to Paul, "Come over into Mexico and help us." The number of workers is becoming smaller. During the year just closed three missionaries in this State have resigned, and we have no one to put in their place. What shall we do with our fields?

We feel also the need of educated preachers. It is high time that our cause be better represented. In the beginning, because of the urgent

necessities of the case, we took untrained recruits. Men were taken from shoe shops, carpenter shops, etc., and were called to the pulpit. I do say that many of them did not preach well. I say more, they did a good work. But conditions have changed, our people are better educated, and they need trained preachers, who can properly present the saving truths of the gospel.

There is an urgent necessity for the establishment of a college for ministerial education. If the American people are in earnest about the evangelization of Mexico, they should not forget that this can be brought about mainly by means of the preaching of the gospel done by Mexican ministers educated in a Christian college. The other denominations are ahead of us in this respect. Nearly all of them have good schools in which to educate their youth for the ministry, and frequently they attract our Baptist youth, offering them a good education and afterwards giving them employment. Shall these things continue? Shall we continue to permit other denominations to take away our young people when we need them ourselves in our own fields of labor? It is evident, then, that a school for ministerial education is our greatest need. It is for this reason that the Baptist Association of Nuevo Leon, which has just held its sessions in this city, unanimously adopted a resolution to send to your Board a petition imploring your aid in the establishment of such an institution in Mexico.

I will add a few facts relating to our churches in this State. We have some ten churches with a total membership of 550 to 600. In six of the churches represented in our Association there was an increase of 54 members, 25 of them by baptism. These six churches have disbursed during the year \$1,800. The Association has paid towards the salary of missionaries \$180. The churches have paid for missions \$200; for self support some \$500; in benevolence, \$50, and something more than \$1,000 in general expenses. It is unnecessary to say that the church of Monterrey has borne the principal share of this burden.

There are some six Sunday Schools, with more than 300 pupils and 18 teachers. These schools have spent something like \$150.

We have now only four missionaries in the State, and there are fields ready for at least four more. By establishing a system of periodical visits to these fields, and holding special services from time to time, I am confident that this State would be one of the best, perhaps the best, for the preaching of the gospel.

Our prayer is, "Lord, send laborers into thy harvest."

REPORT OF THE FIELD SECRETARY.

During the year the Field Secretary has attended four State Conventions, the National Baptist Convention (Colored); has visited eight of the Society's schools, and has attended several Conferences of an important character.



COÖPERATIVE RELATIONS.

Considerable attention has been given to the coöperative relations of the Society with other organizations. The Society has been in coöperation with seventeen Western Conventions, five Eastern Conventions, the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, with five white and seven colored Conventions in work for the colored people; with four City Mission Societies; with the German Conference and with two Scandinavian Conferences, and with two women's Societies, making altogether forty-five bodies with which it joins hands in the prosecution of its work. Other hands are outstretched to it and its hand is outstretched to others for like union of effort. Representatives of the Lott Carey Convention, an organization of Colored Baptists in some of the Atlantic Coast States, chiefly in the interests of Foreign Missions, regard it desirable that the Society should have a strong colored representative in the Southern field. Likewise, representatives of the Home Mission Board and of the Educational Board of the National Baptist Convention have expressed their desire for practical recognition by the Society in educational and missionary work. Conferences have been held between representatives of these bodies and of the Society, but no definite plans have yet been formulated. Nor is the task of effecting an arrangement satisfactory to all concerned, simple and easy as it seems to the superficial observer. From the first the Society has delighted to recognize ability and worth among our colored brethren as shown by the appointment of scores of colored instructors; by the election of leading colored men on Boards of Trustees of incorporated institutions; by appropriations to schools organized

and managed by colored Baptists, by numerous invitations to colored men to advocate the cause of their people at the Society's anniversaries, by insistence, in the recent cooperative arrangements at the South, that the colored Conventions should have equal rights and powers with the white organizations and should have direct management of the work done by selected colored men; and in many other ways and in a degree unequaled by any other Baptist organization. Multitudes gratefully acknowledge this and earnestly desire a continuance of the closest possible relations between the colored Baptists of the South and the great Christian and philanthropic constituency of the Society, without whose aid in the past their lot would have been most lamentable, and without which, in the fresh trials of the present, their future would be dark indeed.

In City Missions an advance step is about to be taken by the Society in entering into cooperative work with the City Mission Board of the St. Louis Baptist Association, of Missouri. This has been desired by that Board and has been contemplated by the Society for two or three years. It is a pleasant coincidence that this forward movement in that city should be made so near the celebration there of the one hundredth anniversary of the Louisiana Purchase. The growing importance of city missions is freshly emphasized by the figures of the last census, which shows that more than half the population of New York State, more than two-fifths that of Maryland and Rhode Island and more than one-third that of Illinois live in cities at least of 100,000 inhabitants. In the New England States 76.5 of the population live in cities of 2,500 and upward, and in the North Atlantic States 65.2 per cent., over against about 15 per cent. in the Southern States. Of 38 cities having a population of 100,000 and upwards, only 3 are in the South, two in Missouri not included. The enormous foreign population, ranging from 60 to 85 per cent. in many of these cities, also calls for more vigorous efforts for their evangelization.

The new arrangement in Indian and Oklahoma Territories, effected in the fall of 1900, has proved very satisfactory to all the cooperating bodies and very advantageous to our interests in those

rapidly growing territories. The first annual meeting of each Convention, after the union, was held last fall, and was characterized by great harmony, spirituality and consecration to the work before them. The Field Secretary attended these Conventions, and in connection therewith visited the chief towns in the newly opened Kiowa Reservation, as well as our missions to the Kiowas.

HOME MISSION LITERATURE.

During the year considerable attention has been given to the preparation of standard Home Mission literature. Four leaflets on Cuba, Porto Rico, Mexico and our Foreign Populations have been issued, to be followed soon by several others. A condensed and attractive statement in card form on The Great Work of the Society has been widely distributed. In coöperation with the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, the publication of "Home Mission Echoes" has been continued, with a circulation of about 14,000 copies monthly, chiefly in New England. The quarterly, "Home Mission Bulletin," has been favorably received, attaining a circulation of about 15,000, much less than it should have been considering its quality and cheapness. The Baptist Home Mission Monthly has a smaller circulation. It is increasingly difficult to induce our people to subscribe for missionary periodicals, even though cheap and attractive. Nor is this simply because of their missionary character, for our religious weeklies also, in general, find similar difficulty in securing large subscription lists. An argument in favor of the consolidation of the Women's Home Mission Societies with the General Society would be the consolidation of their several periodicals into one comprehensive publication for all phases of Home Mission work. At present the constituency of each society, generally speaking, is content with its own periodical. The broader view would be better for all.

THE SOUTHERN FIELD.

A noticeable indication of progress is presented in the contrasts between Spelman Seminary, of Atlanta, Ga., at the cele-

bration of its twentieth anniversary in November, 1902, and its humble beginnings in 1881. Then there were two teachers, now there are forty-two; then eleven pupils, now about seven hundred! then it was cabined in the dark basement of a church, now it has a spacious campus of nearly twenty acres, on which are nine large brick structures; then it was without a dollar, now its property is valued at \$350,000; then its students were of all ages and mostly in the lowest grades; now there are established departments, while as a whole it is recognized as of the first rank among the institutions for the colored people. Its material progress has been due largely to the liberality of its great patron, Mr. John D. Rockefeller, who, it should be added, has bestowed his benefactions through the Society on many other institutions also.

It is just forty years since the American Baptist Home Mission Society at Providence, in May, 1862, in the dark days of the great conflict, had the prescience to say: "We see the Divine Hand most distinctly and most imperatively beckoning us on to the occupancy of a field broader, more important, more promising than has ever yet invited our toils;" and then committed itself to a task which one of its gifted laborers termed "The Great American Work of the Age." In these forty years broad foundations have been laid; at least forty years more will be required in carrying to completion what has been so well begun.

MISSION WORK IN VIRGINIA.

D. N. VASSAR, D.D., RICHMOND, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

In looking over the mission work in Virginia we have much for which to be thankful. In thirty-five years so much has been done and yet we are ready to agree that only a beginning has been made. For a time, possibly, we cannot hope to realize our expectation. To us who can read but little of the signs of the times and the future, the age sometimes looks dark, but from the past we must conclude that the gospel of our Lord Jesus never stops its onward progress until all be fulfilled that is promised.

Here in Virginia with thousands of unlearned negroes, and a very large proportion unchristian, we need help especially along the line of education and mission endeavor. It is no time to ask whether this help

shall come from the pocket of a white man or a negro. God knows the need and God sends the help. To ask one question and leave it unanswered ought to settle the affair. What would be the condition of Virginia to-day if the American Baptist Home Mission Society had not helped the negro both in his educational and mission work? The great good and usefulness of this society has so often been told that we need not stop to discuss the past.

We actually need ten district missionaries in Virginia. This may be seen from a little study of the field on which we have only two district missionaries in the coöperative movement of the General Association. The territory is large. The churches are numerous. Prepared men to preach in these churches are needed and welcomed.

Our mission work is not so much along the line of mere preaching the gospel to the masses but the idea is to elevate the ministry and deaconry. Hence institutes are held in which free discussions are had on the most essential and vital questions of church work. These institutes are largely attended by ministers, deacons, and young men who expect to preach the gospel, and others who may wish to be present. The effect is that many are candidates for entrance into institutions of learning that they may be prepared to enter the ministry. There are others who are ministers of good, strong churches, ready to give up the work and enter school. Some have already done so, leaving their families, making great sacrifice in order that they may be workmen who need not be ashamed.

One thing must be conceded, there are more churches demanding men of school training than ever before. Many of our young men see this and are convinced that a thorough preparation is the only safe-guard to their success. Who, then, can doubt that the hand of God is in this movement and that the result must be the greatest blessing to the Negro of Virginia?

No people are blessed without intelligent leaders.

These institutes have the effect to bring about a better and more pleasant relation between the white and Negro ministers. The white ministers are often called in to help in the institutes and they seldom fail to give all the help they can, with promptness and despatch.

They also give an impetus to church work. Often churches that have gone to sleep are aroused to action. New thoughts are put into the people and the Spirit accompanying the word brings about a revival of religion in which many souls are brought to the Master. Cheering words often come to the missionary after he leaves.

Incalculable good has been done all through the state and the work is in good condition.

WORK OF CO-OPERATION IN NORTH CAROLINA

J. A. WHITTED, D.D., RALEIGH, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The work of coöperation for North Carolina for the past twelve months gives signs of progress and improvement.

There were forty-three institutes held in the different districts of the State throughout the year, with an aggregate attendance of six hundred forty-three ministers.

The instruction given in the Institutes has not only developed and improved the ministers for whom it is mainly intended, but many of the churches are greatly edified and strengthened through their laity.

Remote sections have been reached with the Institutes and special mission services.

The awakening has not been confined to our membership, but whole communities are more active and useful.

Despite the failure of crops which has been felt over the entire State, our annual report shows the largest collections yet realized.

Besides raising the proportionate part of the expenses of the work to be met by our Convention, three thousand two hundred and twenty dollars, our Convention paid out nine hundred eighty-four dollars to African Missions, and three hundred sixty-seven dollars for ministerial education.

We have employed for the past three months, besides our regular missionaries, a local missionary, to establish and build up Baptist Churches near the Blue Ridge Mountains, where our cause is greatly retarded.

Although we feel the effects of the crop failure, we are going forward putting our whole strength into the work, thankful for our opportunity to labor for the uplift of our people so greatly in need.

GEORGIA: CO-OPERATIVE WORK.

E. P. JOHNSON, D.D., ATLANTA, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

In the fall of 1897, the question of coöperation was agitated throughout the State of Georgia. In February, 1898, the Negro Education Society was organized in Macon. For one year the work was carried on between the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Negro Education Society with one missionary in the field. In January, 1899, four missionaries were placed in the field to conduct institutes under the auspices of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, Southern Baptist Convention, State Baptist Convention of Georgia, and the Negro Education Society of Georgia. At the inception of the work, some of the strongest and ablest men in the denomination in the State set themselves in battle

array against the work and the workers. Many of the preachers and people were misled as to the nature and purpose of the coöperative work. Special efforts were made to defeat the plan.

The leaders of the coöperative work were prudent in the selection of able and efficient missionaries who were well known by the great majority of the preachers and many of the people. These men had preached and taught school in many parts of the State, and knew the State well. The nature, aim, and purpose of the work, the ability and character of the missionaries made it impossible for the opposers to make much headway. At the close of 1901, not a voice could be heard in public against co-operation. On every hand, those who had most bitterly opposed co-operation, were ardently seeking some kind of coöperation.

During the three years in which the work has been prosecuted, almost every nook and corner in the State was reached by our devoted missionaries, and the hearts and minds of preachers and people were won for coöperation. When all efforts on the field to misrepresent and defeat the work by a few leaders failed, the last resort was to fight it in rooms of the State Board and that of the Southern Baptist Convention. The result remains to be seen.

The work of coöperation has three special features. (1) Special attention was given to the arrangements of plans to assemble preachers, teachers, deacons, and Sunday school teachers in institutes from three to fifteen days. In these institutes special lectures were delivered on the best methods of preparing and delivering sermons, Bible study, and the conduct of all the departments of church and Sunday work. These institutes were moving theological schools for the great host of preachers who have had no preparation for their life work. In many places these institutes have given new life to the leaders and people. As never before, the preachers have been made to see their need of study and prayer. In an institute in Macon, a preacher said, "I have been preaching fifteen years. I did not know that I was a fool till this week." In some places preachers have been known to hire some one to plow for them while they attended the institutes. (2) The placing of Minister's Libraries in the homes of the preachers is a great blessing. In many homes nothing but a Bible was found. The missionaries organized committees to raise money to purchase the books for the preachers, so that in most cases the books were given by the people. One hundred persons were asked to give a nickel each. We found many good men who were dead in their communities because they had preached out their little stock and were repeating. The libraries give new life and information to such preachers. Their sermons were on new lines and subjects. The people were astonished at the improvement. In the Cabin Creek Association last fall a preacher for whom I had secured a library, said that the people were attending church and paying

him better than they had in ten years. As a mark of their appreciation for his better sermons, they purchased him a buggy and harness for \$96, and gave him the best suit of clothes he had ever worn. His salary had increased \$200 in one year. In the Friendship Association in North Georgia, Rev. A. Penn, a grand and good man, was at the point of losing a church which he had pastored for fifteen years. I held an institute in his church, secured a library for him; in a few months I returned to his field. Those who had opposed him said that they had discovered that they did not need a new preacher, but needed to do new things for the old preachers. They now say that they have the preacher in the State. Many of those who can write carry their note-books to write down the many good things said by their pastor. (3) The calling the attention of the preachers and people to our denominational schools in the State, has caused many of the brightest and best minds to attend said schools, and will save to the denomination many who would otherwise have been led to other schools. No one can estimate the vast amount of good realized by the common schools of the State, the Society schools, the churches, the preachers, the deacons and the people from having real Gospel sermons preached to them, and listening to lectures on all subjects pertaining to home, school, church, and social life. The following figures will convince anyone of the appreciation of the work by the preachers and people and its great success.

A combined summary of the work of Cooperation from Jan. 1, 1899, to Dec. 31, 1901:

Weeks in service, 620; sermons preached, 1,588; addresses delivered, 2,882; conferences held, 3,407; missionary meetings conducted, 649; mass-meetings led, 299; conventions attended, 92; associations visited, 95; churches visited, 1,304; schools visited, 294; Institutes conducted, 118; preachers in attendance, 1,574; deacons in attendance, 840; other persons, 15,301; average attendance of preachers, 1,017; young people advised concerning their education, 2,455; letters and cards written, 3,003; leaflets distributed, 21,010; libraries sold, 159; books in libraries, 1,866; cost of libraries, 970 10; persons converted in meetings conducted by our missionaries, 375; young people who promised to attend our schools, 382; money raised for pastors' salaries and for assisting churches where meetings were held, \$1,553.20; money raised for the schools and the support of the co-operative work, \$6,089.91. Grand total for all purposes named above, \$8,613 21.

TENNESSEE.

T. J. SEARCY, D.D., FINANCIAL SECRETARY OF EDUCATION.

This report closes the third year under the Plan of Coöperation in the State. There has been a slow but steady growth in our Educational

work. It is evident to all who have watched our struggles that great possibilities lie in coöperation, if not exactly as is at present being worked, in something very similar. As we are passing through the transition from the "old way"—the unsystematic way—to the new way of system that must lead to sure and permanent results, we note the need of patience and instruction in dealing with our less fortunate brethren and churches that have not as yet thoroughly realized the necessity for wise and regular plans in the prosecution of our State work. But there has been a marked increase in interest and effort in all parts of the State. When the facts of a general failure in crops, and the extremely severe winter which followed are taken into account, it is remarkable that while we have gone forward very slowly, no ground has been lost. We are pleased to note that the pastors and churches have begun to appreciate the fact that it is not always necessary to have a visit and a "big time" with the Financial Secretary before money can be raised for the work; for they are setting aside "Educational days" and raising educational money which is being sent in to our Board. This means a great deal for the advancement of the work. It has been our plan to get a hold on the Associations in the State, and to have the officers and Executive Boards of the same to fall in with our plan of systematizing the State educational work. At first the Associations did not seem to feel that they were directly interested in the success of the State Convention's plans, but by wisely and patiently counseling with the leaders in these bodies we have about succeeded in getting them in line. The outlook is bright. Greater and more rapid progress will surely follow the coming into the field of the young men who come directly from the Theological Departments of our Roger Williams University and Howe Institute to the pastorate of our churches.

Our institutes are our hope. Through them we are reaching the good, but heretofore non-progressive preachers who have charge of our large churches in the rural districts. It is in the institutes that they are brought into contact with those who know of the general work in all of its phases. It is here that they are induced to take hold of the work outside of the limits of their own church walls, and in the wake of this follows the inspiration begotten of the reception of new ideas and knowledge. The Institute work gives method to Christian effort, and thereby helps all branches of church work. We are pleased to state that the brethren seem to appreciate the benefits to be derived from this powerful agency, and that they evince an intense desire to learn rather than to "discuss." We certainly suggest that more attention be given to the institute work. It will pay.

A pleasing feature of our onward march is the organization of our young people in the interest of our State work. Since our last report both

the Sunday School and the B. Y. P. U. Conventions have been organized. These organizations indorsed our plans and decided to put forth every effort to put all the Sunday Schools and Young Peoples Societies in the State in accord with our plan. The educational work is the special feature which these young people are pushing. We expect great things from them.

The work accomplished has been as follows: The total amount of money collected on the field is \$1,119.95, divided as follows: General collections, \$716.35; designated for Howe Institute, \$373.85; designated for Roger Williams University, \$29.75. The amount of pledges to be collected is \$575.08. Addresses delivered, 111; sermons preached, 94; conferences held, 113, Mass-meetings held, 22; letters written, 2,361; churches visited, 161; miles traveled, 9,186. This has been accomplished at an expense of \$568.83, of which \$68.91 was for postage and stationery and mileage, and \$499.92 for salary. From the above statement it will be observed that the sum of \$551.12 above the amount necessary to carry on the work under the plan has been raised and appropriated to our institutions as the plan directs. A large part of the amount designated for Howe Institute was given by churches and individuals as membership fee in the Board of Incorporation of the institution.

KENTUCKY.

REV. P. H. KENNEDY, HENDERSON, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

The missionary work under the plan of coöperation is progressing steadily. There are many signs that give encouragement along all lines. Organization and system stand out in bold relief. In these two points the progress is marvelous. There is possibly more unity in plans and efforts than has ever existed in the history of the work. There is not a Baptist organization in the State of any kind that does not endorse and in some way contribute to our work, though small the contributions may be, yet it is a beginning, from which we may safely expect great results in future years. It is almost the united voice of the Baptists in Kentucky, white and black, that cooperation is a success.

THE INSTITUTE WORK.

Though we have not held so many Institutes in this as in former years, the results have been more satisfactory to all concerned. More attention has been given to times and places. Much attention has also been given

to the selection of Lectures, as to their fitness for certain subjects, and also to the preparation of programmes. The increasing interest is manifest. The time was when we had to ask for places to hold Institutes, now we are invited to hold them. I think I can safely say that in the city of Louisville alone I could hold from two to three per month until I had gone to every church. The interest is as deep in the heart of the white brother as it is in that of black. There is a spirit in some of the brethren to have a man appointed to give the whole of his time to the Institute work in the State. The attendance has greatly increased, and in many places at the conclusion of the Institutes as a result of their influence, great revivals have been held, resulting in the conversion and salvation of many souls. We have held eight Institutes during this year, not as many by far as we expected to hold, but by reason of the hard winter, through which we have just passed, we were compelled to cancel several engagements. We have collected in cash \$71.61 for Institute expenses, with possibly twice that amount in pledges, with some hope of collection. The above amount has been applied to Institute expenses, printing programmes and R. R. Fare, of Lectures, communications, &c.

III. CHURCH EDIFICE DEPARTMENT.

The amount of money in the gift fund available for the erection of meeting houses during the year was \$25,511.41, which was distributed among 74 different churches, an average of \$344.75 to each church. While this amount is not to be despised, and while it has accomplished a great deal of good, it is nevertheless a very small sum to be distributed over so large a field and falls very far short of the requirements of the situation. We ought to have not less than \$50,000 a year for this important part of our work, and we most earnestly invite the attention of our friends to the need of larger gifts for this purpose, especially asking the attention of those contemplating the disposition of their property by will, and urging them to remember this branch of the work.

Contract is about to be let for the erection of a commodious and attractive house of worship at Ponce, Porto Rico; and authority has been given for the purchase of suitable lots in two im-

portant outlying stations. Negotiations are in progress for the purchase of mission headquarters in Puerto Principe, Cuba.

The number of churches aided during the year is 80; by gift only, 63; by loan only, 6; by loan and gift, 11.

The total number of grants from the Loan Fund is 17, and from the Gift Fund 74.

The location of the churches receiving aid is in the following States, Territories and Provinces:

By Gifts—California, 2; Canada, 1; Colorado, 2; Cuba, 3; Idaho, 2; Illinois, 4; Indian Territory, 4; Kansas, 6; Massachusetts, 1; Michigan, 1; Minnesota, 3; Nebraska, 2; Nevada, 1; New Jersey, 1; New Mexico, 3; New York, 1; North Dakota, 3; Oklahoma Territory, 5; Oregon, 4; Porto Rico, 1; South Dakota, 2; Texas, 6; Utah, 2; Washington, 9; West Virginia, 1; Wisconsin, 3; Wyoming, 1.

By Loans—Colorado, 1; Idaho, 1; Illinois, 1; Kansas, 2; Michigan, 1; Minnesota, 3; Nebraska, 1; New Mexico, 2; Oklahoma Territory, 1; South Dakota, 2; Washington, 2.

The nationalities aided by gifts are as follows: American, 52; German, 5; Swede, 1; Polish, 1; Cuban, 3; Porto Rican, 1; Italian, 1; Indian, 2; Colored, 8.

The nationalities aided by loans are as follows: American, 12; Swede, 3; Colored, 2.

The whole number of churches aided up to the present time is 2,129. Of these 1,792 have been aided in the past twenty-nine years.

The following table shows the number of churches assisted during the past twenty-one years:

YEAR.	NUMBER.	BY GIFT ONLY.	BY LOAN ONLY.	BY GIFT AND LOAN.
1881-2	66	56	10	..
1882-3	97	66	18	13
1883-4	107	68	13	26
1884-5	113	61	39	13
1885-6	62	23	36	3
1886-7	62	29	29	4
1887-8	88	46	22	20
1888-9	70	33	20	17
1889-90	87	54	16	17
1890-1	88	58	14	16
1891-2	121	66	20	35
1892-3	110	72	12	26
1893-4	84	63	5	16
1894-5	89	68	12	9
1895-6	93	54	22	17
1896-7	79	57	10	12
1897-8	85	59	16	10
1898-9	80	55	12	13
1899-1900	72	56	6	10
1900-1901	52	38	9	5
1901-1902	80	63	6	11

LOAN FUND STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1901-1902.

Loans received.....	\$15,451.12
Interest received.....	6,339.93
Micellaneous receipts.....	25.00
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	\$21,816.05
Principal of Fund.....	\$150,806.32
Aggregate of loans to seventeen churches.....	5,400.00
Average to each church.....	317.64
Number of churches that have paid their loans.....	24
Number of loans outstanding.....	216

GIFT FUND STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1901-1902.

Receipts for this fund have been as follows:

Contributions	\$15,065.25	
Legacies	1,691.94	
Annuities released	1,000.00	
Income from investments	7,969.25	
Realized from former gifts	1,858.30	
		\$27,584.74
Aggregate of gifts to 74 churches.	\$25,511.41	
Average to each church	344.75	

The total amount of grants from the Loan and Gift Funds, of \$30,911.41, has secured church property of the value of \$95,000. This does not include the land on which the church edifices were erected.

IV. EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

There has been steady progress in the general character of the work done in the various schools receiving the support of the Society. The attendance has been large, and the spirit of the students for the most part admirable.

The splendid improvements at Spelman Seminary made possible by the generosity of Mr. John D. Rockefeller, have been completed and the Seminary has enjoyed a most prosperous year. Minor improvements have been made at several other schools, and plans are maturing for a central steam heating plant at Shaw, a much needed recitation building at Benedict (where a Nurse Training School is being erected from a donation of \$5,000 from the late John Pratt, Esq.), a President's residence at the College in Atlanta, enlarged facilities at Bishop College and a new boarding hall for girls at Bacone. These improvements are made possible chiefly through the generosity of the friend who has already done so much for these educational institutions.

For reasons which seemed entirely satisfactory to your Board, the school property at Jackson, Miss., was sold to Millsaps College, a white institution in the immediate vicinity for the cash

price of \$40,000. A new location for Jackson College has not yet been determined upon.

Special emphasis has been placed during the year upon industrial training at several of the schools, and it is believed that very superior work in this line is being done, especially at Richmond, Raleigh, Atlanta and Marshall. This form of education is necessarily expensive, and your Board is obliged to move slowly in it for the lack of money. While desirous of pressing this feature of the work your Board are still of the opinion that the great function of these Christian schools is to raise up a trained leadership of men and women fitted to teach, to preach, and in other walks of life to be the guides and helpers of their people upon a high plane. The demand among the nine million negroes of the country for men and women of culture and thought power, is steadily increasing. The only possible way to hold the great masses of the young in the Sunday Schools and Negro churches, is through the aid of a trained ministry.

The statistics which follow are for the year ending June 1, 1901.

HIGHER SCHOOLS FOR COLORED PEOPLE.

Alabama Colored Baptist University, founded at Selma, Ala., 1878; incorporated, 1878; Rev. C. S. Dinkins, D.D., President, 1893. Teachers employed, white, 3; colored, 9; present estimated value of property, \$27,000.00; no encumbrance; floating debts, \$935.53; no endowment fund; balance in hand from previous year, \$85.81; receipts from tuition, \$1,584.40; from board, \$4,507.25; white churches and individuals, \$92; colored churches and individuals, \$1,604.10; old accounts, \$277.70; sources not included in classified accounts, \$294.80; total receipts, \$8,466.06; expenditures, for school supplies, \$302.69; boarding department, \$2,510.98; improvement and repairs, \$639.49; students' labor, \$164.50; gratuities, \$213.25; salaries, \$5,250; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$972.18; total expenditures, \$10,053.09; appropriations by the Society, \$1,000.00; by Alabama Woman's Baptist State Convention, \$160; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$680; by the trustees, \$3.410; total appropriations, \$5,250; enrollment, males, 174; females, 243; total, 417; average attendance, day students, 161; boarders, 75; general average, 236; pursuing College course, 3; receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 135; preparing to teach, 124; preparing for the ministry, 46; conversions, 36; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$22.24; for school supplies only, \$1.28; for board, including all neces-

sary labor in preparing it for use, \$33.47; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$39.88.

*Arkansas Baptist College, founded at Little Rock, Ark., 1887; incorporated, 1885; Rev. Joseph A. Booker, D.D., President, 1889. Teachers employed, white, 1; colored, 10, present estimated value of property, \$30,000.00; encumbrance, \$5,000.00; floating debts, \$1,000.00, no endowment fund; appropriations by the Society, \$1,100.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$300.00; total appropriations, \$1,400.00; enrollment, males, 214; females, 224; total, 438; average attendance, day students, 172; boarders, 76; general average, 248; preparing for College, 9, pursuing College course, 6; receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 11; preparing to teach, 103; preparing for the ministry, 43; pursuing Ministers' course, 43, conversions, 6.

Atlanta Baptist College, founded originally at Augusta, Ga., 1867; transferred to Atlanta, incorporated, 1879; charter amended, 1897, changing the name to Atlanta Baptist College, and giving the power of granting degrees; Rev. George Sale, President, 1890. Teachers employed, white, 5; colored, 6; present estimated value of property, \$75,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debt; endowment fund, \$21,005; receipts from Slater Fund, \$796.76; from tuition, \$650.73, from board, \$4,370.95; white churches and individuals, \$697.91, colored churches and individuals, \$58.83; old accounts \$109.71; sources not included in classified accounts, \$1,608.70; total receipts, \$8,275.63; expenditures, for school supplies, \$624.60; boarding department, \$2,536.86; improvement and repairs, \$555.09; students' labor, \$374.86; gratuities, \$325.67; salaries, \$6,471.10; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$2,316.50; total expenditures, \$13,204.68; appropriations by the Society, \$5,701.34; Slater Board, \$797.67; total appropriations, \$6,471.10; enrollment, males, 158; average attendance, day students, 42; boarders, 66; general average, 108; preparing for College, 33; pursuing College course, 13; preparing to teach, 44; preparing for the ministry, 43; pursuing Ministers' course, 34; receiving gratuity, 20; conversions, 5; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$57.15; for school supplies only, \$5.68; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$33.82; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$122.95.

Benedict College, founded at Columbia, S. C., 1870, incorporated, 1895, Rev. A. C. Osborn, D.D., President, 1895. Teachers employed, white, 10; colored, 8; present estimated value of property, \$76,000.00, no encumbrance; floating debt, \$217.98; endowment fund, \$121,107.98; balance in hand from previous year, \$250.14; receipts from tuition, \$2,017.01; from Board, \$6,428.61; white churches and indi-

*Report incomplete.

viduals, \$229.64; colored churches and individuals, \$976.27; old account, \$146.83; sources not included in classified accounts, \$2,166.69; total receipts, \$12,215.19; expenditures, for school supplies, \$448.15; boarding department, \$4,732.35; improvement and repairs, \$2,963.15; students' labor, \$126.68; gratuities, \$508.02; salaries, \$6,616.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$3,348.82; total expenditures, \$18,743.17; appropriations by the Society, \$5,950.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; by the trustees, \$306.00; total appropriations, \$6,616.00; enrollment, males, 188; females, 170; total, 358; average attendance, day students, 50; boarders, 170; general average, 220; preparing for College, 62; pursuing College course, 17; receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 261; preparing to teach, 118; preparing for the ministry, 78; pursuing Ministers' course, 26; receiving gratuity, 36; pursuing Missionary Training course, 20; pursuing Nurse Training course, 12; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$32.22; for school supplies only, \$2.03; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$23.81; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$77.61.

Bishop College, founded at Marshall, Tex., 1881; incorporated, 1885; Rev. Albert Loughbridge, LL.D., President, 1898. Teachers employed, white, 15; colored, 2; present estimated value of property, \$100,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debt; receipts from Slater Fund, \$1,500.00; from tuition, \$2,580.02; from Board, \$10,313.02, colored churches and individuals, \$71.50; old account, \$177.33; sources not included in classified accounts, 755.08; total receipts, \$15,396.95; expenditures, for school supplies, \$1,066.39; boarding department, \$1,043.17; improvement and repairs, \$3,298.95; gratuities, \$159.63; salaries, \$9,910.50; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$301.62; total expenditures, \$15,780.26; appropriations by the Society, \$7,896.25; Slater Board, \$1,500.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; by the trustees, \$154.25; total appropriations, \$9,910.50; enrollment, males, 204; females, 198; total, 402; average attendance, day students, 103; boarders, 145; general average, 248; preparing for College, 37; pursuing College course, 5; receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 383; preparing to teach, 111; preparing for the ministry, 36; pursuing Ministers' course, 36; receiving gratuity, 36; pursuing Missionary Training course, 31; conversions, 7; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$39.64; for school supplies only, \$4.26; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$52.39; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$80.26.

Hartshorn Memorial College (for females only), founded at Richmond, Va., 1884; incorporated, 1884; Rev. L. B. Tefft, D.D., President, 1884. Teachers employed, white, 7; colored, 3; present estimated value of property, \$50,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; no endowment fund; balance in hand from previous year, \$2,616.85; receipts

from tuition, \$702.95; from Board, \$3,419.22; white churches and individuals, \$2,002.95; colored churches and individuals, \$38.16; old accounts, \$262.10; sources not included in classified accounts, \$314.13; total receipts, \$9,355.96; expenditures, for school supplies, \$178.92; boarding department, \$2,538.56; improvement and repairs, \$484.68; gratuities, \$195.16; salaries, \$4,442.90; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$984.33; total expenditures, \$8,824.55; appropriations by the Society, \$1,200.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$1,600; by Woman's Society of Michigan, \$450.00; by the trustees, \$1,192.90; total appropriations, \$4,442.90; females, 116; average attendance, day students, 33; boarders, 59; general average, 92; preparing for College, 8; receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 80; preparing to teach, 69; receiving gratuity, 32; conversions, 12; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$44.43; for school supplies only, \$1.92; for board including all necessary labor in repairing it for use, \$34.72, for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$91.03.

Jackson College, founded at Natchez, Miss., 1877; transferred to Jackson, Miss., 1884; Rev. L. G. Barrett, President, 1894. Teachers employed, white, 6; colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$40,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$476.25; balance in hand from previous year, \$101.68; receipts from tuition, \$937.56; from Board, \$3,617.82; white churches and individuals, \$48.60; colored churches and individuals, \$1.35; old accounts, \$13.35; sources not included in classified accounts, \$376.36; total receipts, \$5,096.72; expenditures, for school supplies, \$292.54; boarding department, \$2,090.02; improvement and repairs, \$516.06; students' labor, \$20.00; gratuities, \$167.00; salaries, \$4,875.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$366.89; total expenditures, \$8,327.51; appropriations by the Society, \$4,475.00, by Woman's Society of Boston, \$400.00; total appropriations, \$4,875.00; enrollment, males, 69; females, 89; total, 158; average attendance, day students, 33; boarders, 66; general average, 99, receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 79; preparing to teach, 62; preparing for the ministry, 10; pursuing Ministers' course, 8; receiving gratuity, 24; conversions, 6; average cost per pupil for instruction only \$49.24; for school supplies only, \$2.96; for board including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$31.67; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$82.38.

Roger Williams University, founded at Nashville, Tenn., 1864; incorporated, 1883; Rev. P. B. Guernsey, M.A., President, 1899. Teachers employed, white, 10; colored, 3; present estimated value of property, \$130,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$4,880.96; receipts from tuition, \$1,478.06; from Board, \$6,579.37; white churches and individuals, \$128.98; old accounts, \$1,430.95; sources

not included in classified accounts, \$320.94; total receipts, \$9,938.30; expenditures, for school supplies, \$501.22; boarding department, \$5,227.97; improvement and repairs, \$1,268.89; students' labor, \$461.79; gratuities, \$640.05; salaries, \$7,870.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$660.71; total expenditures, \$16,630.63; appropriations by the Society, \$7,510.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; total appropriations, \$7,870.00; enrollment, males, 137; females, 104; total, 241; average attendance, day students, 52; boarders, 121; general average, 173; preparing for College, 38; pursuing College course, 25; receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 90; preparing to teach, 32; preparing for the ministry, 32; pursuing Ministers' course, 11; receiving gratuity, 71; pursuing Missionary Training course, 14; conversions, 7; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$42.48; for school supplies only, \$2.89; for board including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$34.36; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$92.88.

Shaw University, founded at Raleigh, N. C., 1865; incorporated, 1875; Charles F. Meserve, LL.D., President, 1893. Teachers employed, white, 17; colored, 13; present estimated value of property, \$90,000.00; encumbrance, \$1,500.00; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$31,938.02; receipts from Slater Fund, \$2,500.00; from tuition, \$4,886.84; from Board, \$11,524.09; white churches and individuals, \$788.50; colored churches and individuals, \$292.20; old accounts, \$603.60; sources not included in classified accounts, \$258.00; total receipts, \$20,853.23; expenditures, for school supplies, \$663.76; boarding department, \$7,576.85; improvement and repairs, \$3,417.20; students' labor, \$339.06; gratuities, \$242.00; salaries, \$14,918.25; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$1,553.00; total expenditures, \$28,710.12; appropriations by the Society, \$7,190.00; Slater Board, \$2,500.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$680.00; by the trustees, \$4,548.25; total appropriations, \$14,918.25; enrollment, males, 251; females, 207; total, 458; average attendance, day students, 81; boarders, 252; general average, 333; preparing for College, 66; pursuing College course, 25; receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 200; preparing to teach, 190; pursuing Ministers' course, 29; receiving gratuity, 16; pursuing Missionary Training course, 13; conversions, 20; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$44.66; for school supplies only, \$1.98; for board including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$29.95, for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$81.42.

Spelman Seminary (for females only), founded at Atlanta, Ga., 1881; incorporated, 1888; Miss S. B. Packard and Miss H. E. Giles, Associate Principals, 1881-1891; Miss H. E. Giles, President, 1891; Miss L. H. Upton, Dean, 1891. Teachers employed, white, 38; colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$300,000.00; encumbrance, \$286.95; floating debts,

\$640.00; endowment fund, \$6,156.00; balance in hand from previous year, \$194.12; receipts from Slater Fund, \$5,000.00, from tuition, \$3,564.73; from Board, \$13,870.37; white churches and individuals, \$1,586.46, colored churches and individuals, \$126.83, old accounts, \$710.40; sources not included in classified accounts, \$4,448.88; total receipts, \$29,501.79; expenditures, for school supplies, \$2,613.23; boarding department, \$11,745.57, improvements and repairs, \$1,633.34, gratuities, \$1,868.65; salaries, \$17,286.70; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$2,287.43; total expenditures, \$37,435.22; appropriations by friends, \$700.00, Slater Board, \$5,000.00, by Woman's Society of Boston, \$7,584.00; by the trustees, \$4,002.70; total appropriations, \$17,286.70; enrollment, females, 673; average attendance, day students, 213; boarders, 247; general average, 460; preparing for College, 8; pursuing College course, 5; receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 498; preparing to teach, 300, receiving gratuity, 136; pursuing Missionary Training course, 13; pursuing Nurse Training course, 32, conversions, 79; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$37.58; for school supplies only, \$5.68; for board including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$47.55, for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$76.43.

State University, founded at Louisville, Ky., 1873; incorporated, 1873; Rev. C. L. Purce, D.D., President, 1894. Teachers employed, white, 2; colored, 7; present estimated value of property, \$30,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts, receipts from tuition, \$1,193.75, from Board, \$1,301.50; white churches and individuals, \$1,779.93; colored churches and individuals, \$1,779.94; old accounts, \$74.50, sources not included in classified accounts, \$651.05; total receipts, \$6,780.67; expenditures, for school supplies, \$331.33; boarding department, \$1,319.06; improvements and repairs, \$377.37; salaries, \$3,976.70; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$776.21; total expenditures, \$6,780.67; appropriations by the Society, \$1,000.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$360.00; by the trustees, \$2,616.70; total appropriations, \$3,976.70; enrollment, males, 124; females, 57; total, 181; average attendance, day students, 145; boarders, 25; general average, 170; preparing for College, 65; pursuing College course, 16; receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 18; preparing to teach, 80; preparing for the ministry, 20; pursuing Ministers' course, 20; pursuing Missionary Training course, 85; conversions, 11; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$22.00, for school supplies only, \$1.80; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$7.00, for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$32.00.

Virginia Union University (Consolidation of Wayland Seminary, founded at Washington, D. C. 1865, and Richmond Theological Seminary, founded Richmond, Va., 1867), incorporated February, 1900; M. MacVicar, LL.D., President, 1900; Rev. George R. Hovey, Dean of College De-

partment; George F. Genung, D.D., Dean of Theological Department, 1899. Teachers employed, white, 7; colored, 7; present estimated value of property, \$300,000.00; no encumbrance; no floating debts; endowment fund, \$90,632.18; balance in hand from previous year, \$130.04; receipts from tuition, \$1,513.65; from Board, \$6,611.58; white churches and individuals, \$1,417.50; colored churches and individuals, \$132.25; old accounts, \$18.00; sources not included in classified accounts, \$1,301.43; total receipts, \$11,124.55; expenditures, for school supplies, \$2,021.33; boarding department, \$7,807.30; improvements and repairs, \$416.65; students' labor, \$151.25; gratuities, \$1,025.88; salaries, \$14,672.00; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$1,184.79; total expenditures, \$27,279.20; appropriations by the Society, \$14,272.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$400.00; total appropriations, \$14,672.00; enrollment, males, 190; average attendance, day students, 43; boarders, 115; general average, 158; preparing for College, 40; pursuing College course, 11; preparing to teach, 13; preparing for the ministry, 75; pursuing Ministers' course, 15; receiving gratuity, 53; conversions, 5; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$87.21; for school supplies only, \$12.79; for board including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$67.82; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$170.00.

SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR COLORED PEOPLE.

Americus Institute, Americus, Ga.; Prof. M. W. Reddick, Principal, 1898. Teachers employed, colored, 3; present estimated value of property, \$————; receipts from tuition, \$382.35; white churches and individuals, \$535.65; colored churches and individuals, \$202.03; old accounts, \$15.50; total receipts, \$1,135.53; expenditures, for school supplies, \$113.51; improvements and repairs, \$426.60; students' labor, \$98.00; salaries, \$771.57; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$225.85; total expenditures, \$1,635.53; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$271.57; total appropriations, \$771.57; enrollment, males, 63; females, 113; total 176; average attendance, day students, 84; preparing to teach, 62; preparing for the ministry, 2; receiving gratuity, 5; conversions, 6; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$11.16; for school supplies only, \$1.39; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$14.17.

Bible and Normal Institute, founded at Memphis, Tenn.; incorporated 1887; Prof. Joshua Levister, Principal, 1899. Teachers employed, white, 4; colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$————; encumbrance, \$10,000.00; floating debts, \$1,000.00; receipts from tuition, \$742.70; white churches and individuals, \$248.95; colored churches and individuals, \$340.35; old accounts, \$4.50; total receipts, \$1,336.50; expenditures, for

school supplies, \$452.96; improvements and repairs, \$4.25; salaries, 754.21; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$65.10; total expenditures, \$1,276.52; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$254.21; total appropriations, 754.21; enrollment, males, 143; females, 180, total, 323; average attendance, day students, 109; preparing to teach, 06; preparing for the ministry, 15; pursuing Ministers' course, 50, pursuing Missionary Training course, 80; conversions, 2; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$16.51; for school supplies only, \$4.06; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$117.71.

*Coleman Academy, founded at Gibsland, La., incorporated 1887; Prof. O. L. Coleman, Principal, 1890. Teachers employed, colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$———; encumbrance, \$800.00, receipts from tuition, \$790.19, from Board, \$2,013.00; white churches and individuals, \$1,005.00; colored churches and individuals, \$2,437.07; old accounts, \$24.80; total receipts, \$6,270.06; expenditures, for school supplies, \$103.85; boarding department, \$1,838.50, improvements and repairs, \$2,174.84; salaries, \$1,977.84; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$3.90, total expenditures, \$6,098.93; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$977.84; total appropriations, \$1,977.84; enrollment, males, 127; females, 174; total, 301; average attendance, day students, 86, boarders, 47, general average, 133; pursuing College course, 17; preparing to teach, 76; preparing for the ministry, 20; receiving gratuity, 21; conversions, 50, average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$14.87; for school supplies only, 78 cents, for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$39.12, for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$29.50.

Florida Institute, founded at Live Oak, Fla., 1876; incorporated 1876; Rev. G. P. McKinney, Principal, 1892. Teachers employed, colored, 8; present estimated value of property, \$———; receipts from tuition, \$589.98; from Board, \$1,451.99; white churches and individuals, \$899.59; colored churches and individuals, \$899.60; old accounts, \$169.38; sources not included in classified accounts, \$142.09; total receipts, \$4,152.63; expenditures, for school supplies, \$55.16; boarding department, \$1,213.50; improvements and repairs, \$52.07; students' labor, \$444.24; gratuities, \$197.94; salaries, \$2,207.37; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$482.25; total expenditures, \$4,652.53; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by the trustees, \$1,707.37, total appropriations, \$2,207.37; enrollment, males, 74; females, 100; total, 174; average attendance, day students, 62; boarders, 39; general average, 101; pursuing college course, 9; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 127; preparing to teach, 16; preparing for the ministry, 6; pursuing Ministers' course, 20; conversions, 14; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$15.63; for school supplies only, 31 cents, for board, including all necessary labor in preparing

it for use, \$20.92; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$23.67.

Florida Baptist Academy, founded at Jacksonville, Fla., 1892; Prof. N. W. Collier, Principal, 1896. Teachers employed, colored, 9; present estimated value of property, \$11,170.00; encumbrance, \$500.00; floating debts, \$1,500.00; receipts from tuition, \$355.65; from Board, \$1,838.55; white churches and individuals, \$1,793.06; colored churches and individuals, \$851.21; old accounts, \$263.57; sources not included in classified accounts, \$25.50; total receipts, \$5,127.54; expenditures, for school supplies, \$372.89; boarding department, \$894.41; improvements and repairs, \$68.35; students' labor, \$125.12; salaries, \$2,550.89; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$1,115.88; total expenditures, \$5,127.54; appropriations by the Society, \$500.00; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$120; by the trustees, \$1,930.89; total appropriations, \$2,550.89; enrollment, males, \$65; females, 90; total, 155; average attendance, day students, 54; boarders, 37; general average, 91; receiving systematic instruction in Industrial work, 33; preparing to teach, 60; preparing for the ministry, 1; pursuing Ministers' course, 1; receiving gratuity, 10; conversions, 3; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$25.50; for school supplies only, \$2.40; for board including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$18.31; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$32.96.

*Hearne Academy, founded at Hearne, Texas; Rev. F. G. Davis, Principal, 1900. Teachers employed, colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$8,000.00; appropriations by the Society, \$500; enrollment, males, 52; females, 68; total, 120; average attendance, day students, 15; boarders, 44; general average, 59; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 68; preparing to teach, 50; preparing for the ministry, 9; receiving gratuity, 53; pursuing Missionary Training course, 3; conversions, 9.

Houston Academy, founded at Houston, Texas, 1893; incorporated 1893; D. A. Scott, Principal, 1900. Teachers employed, colored, 6; present estimated value of property, \$5,000.00; receipts from tuition, \$254; from Board, \$740.48; colored churches and individuals, \$659.45; sources not included in classified accounts, \$850.39; total receipts, \$2,504.32; expenditures, for school supplies, \$15.15; boarding department, \$371.97; improvements and repairs, \$629.99; students' labor, \$84.13; gratuities, \$142.55; salaries, \$974.33; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$286.20; total expenditures, \$2,504.32; appropriations by the Society, \$500; by the trustees, \$474.33; total appropriations, \$974.33; enrollment, males, 28; females, 49; total, 77; average attendance, day students, 18; boarders, 16; general average, 34; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 34; pre-

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paring to teach, 4; receiving gratuity, 23; conversions, 12; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$32.20; for school supplies only, 44 cents; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$23.24; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$53.62.

Jeruel Academy, founded at Athens, Ga.; Rev. J. H. Brown, Principal, 1893 Teachers employed, colored, 5; present estimated value of property, \$7,760.00; floating debts, \$33.85; receipts from tuition, \$674.14; from Board, \$1,401.99; white churches and individuals, \$10.91; colored churches and individuals, \$610.53; old accounts, \$98.76; sources not included in classified accounts, \$33.03; total receipts, \$2,829.36; expenditures, for school supplies, \$187.64; boarding department, \$922.04; improvements and repairs, \$443.58; salaries, \$1,006.88; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$269.21; total expenditures, \$2,829.35; appropriations by the Society, \$500; by the trustees, \$506.88; total appropriations, \$1,006.88; enrollment, males, 118; females, 161, total, 279; average attendance, day students, 89; boarders, 51, general average, 140; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 66; preparing to teach, 88; preparing for the ministry, 13; receiving gratuity, 8; conversions, 14; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$7 19, for school supplies only, \$1.34; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$18.08; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$17.04.

Mather School, founded at Beaufort, S. C., 1869; Mrs. R. C. Mather, Principal, 1869. Teachers employed, white, 4; salaries, \$1,100; appropriation by Woman's Society of Boston, \$1,100; enrollment, males, 28; females, 72; total, 100; average attendance, day students, 16; boarders, 30; general average, 46; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 42; preparing to teach, 8; receiving gratuity, 20; conversions, 1.

Spiller Academy, located at Hampton, Va.; was founded by Rev. R. Spiller, and in 1897 became affiliated with the Virginia Union University; Rev. George E. Read, Principal, 1898. Teachers employed, white, 6; present estimated value of property, \$10,000; encumbrance, \$2,500; floating debts, \$500; receipts from tuition, \$390; from Board, \$1,275 30; colored churches and individuals, \$414.33; old accounts, \$166.00; sources not included in classified accounts, \$51.25; total receipts, \$2,296.88; expenditures, for school supplies, \$761.42; boarding department, \$785.07; improvements and repairs, \$451.80, students' labor, \$117; salaries, \$1,070; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$76.35; total expenditures, \$3,261.64; appropriations by the Society, \$500; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$120; by the trustees, \$450; total appropriations, \$1,070; enrollment, males, 47; females, 45; total, 92; average attendance, day students, 36; boarders, 30; general average, 66; preparing for College, 9; preparing to teach, 12; preparing for the ministry, 10; pursuing Ministers' course, 10; average cost per pupil for in-

struction only, \$18.48; for school supplies only, \$11.53; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$26.17; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$32.21.

Walker Institute, founded at Augusta, Ga.; incorporated 1885; Prof. N. W. Curtright, Principal, 1899. Teachers employed, colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$5,000.00; receipts from tuition, \$628.46; from Board, \$20.65; colored churches and individuals, \$2,714.96; sources not included in classified accounts, \$220.13; total receipts, \$3,584.20; expenditures, for school supplies, \$123.72; improvements and repairs, \$2,127.49; gratuities, \$255.25; salaries, \$1,394.40; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$183.34; total expenditures, \$4,084.20; appropriations by the Society, \$500; by the trustees, \$894.40; total appropriations, \$1,394.40; enrollment, males, 49; females, 102; total, 151; average attendance, day students, 98; preparing for College, 51; preparing to teach, 81; preparing for the ministry, 12; pursuing Ministers' course, 23; receiving gratuity, 41; conversions, 12; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$13.67; for school supplies only, \$1.26; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$19.41.

Waters' Normal Institute, founded at Winton, N. C.; incorporated 1887; Rev. C. S. Brown, Principal, 1890. Teachers employed, colored, 7; present estimated value of property, \$12,000.00; encumbrance, \$1,631.83; floating debts, \$47.15; balance in hand from previous year, \$28.85; receipts from tuition, \$190; from Board, \$1,522.34; white churches and individuals, \$10; colored churches and individuals, \$730.31; old accounts, \$117.85; sources not included in classified accounts, \$13.20; total receipts, \$2,612.55; expenditures, for school supplies, \$85.15; boarding department, \$1,211.19; improvements and repairs, \$280.90; salaries, \$1,676; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$780.74; total expenditures, \$4,033.98; appropriations by the Society, \$700; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$700; by the trustees, \$276; total appropriations, \$1,676; enrollment, males, 121; females, 155; total, 276; average attendance, day students, 105; boarders, 53; general average, 158; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 36; preparing to teach, 23; preparing for the ministry, 4; pursuing Ministers' course, 4; receiving gratuity, 16; conversions, 11; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$10.05; for school supplies only, 31 cents; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$22.85; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$10.45.

Western College, founded at Macon, Mo., 1891; incorporated 1894; Rev. E. L. Scruggs, Principal, 1892. Teachers employed, colored, 4; present estimated value of property, \$15,000.00; floating debts, \$700; receipts from tuition, \$388.71; from Board, \$946.02; colored churches and individuals, \$1,119.15; old accounts, \$44.00; sources not included in classified accounts,

\$53; total receipts, \$2,550.88; expenditures, for school supplies, \$215.22; boarding department, \$947.57, improvement and repairs, \$21.55; salaries, \$1,645.87; sundries, not included in classified accounts, \$418.16; total expenditures, \$3,248.37; appropriations by the Society, \$700; by the trustees, \$945.87; total appropriations, \$1,645.87; enrollment, males, 47; females, 71; total, 118, average attendance, day students, 47; boarders, 40; general average, 87; preparing to teach, 33; preparing for the ministry, 11; pursuing Ministers' course, 2, receiving gratuity, 12; conversions, 4; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$18.90, for school supplies only, \$2.47; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$23.68; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$30.44.

HIGHER AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR INDIANS.

Indian University, founded at Tahlequah, 1879; incorporated 1881; transferred to Muscogee, 1885; Rev. J. H. Scott, President, 1897. (Bacone, P. O., Ind. Ter.) Teachers employed, white, 9; present estimated value of property, \$30,000; floating debts, \$2,000; endowment fund, \$2,126.02; receipts from tuition, \$555.13; from Board, \$3,625.10; churches and individuals, \$755.15; old accounts, \$1.90; sources not included in classified accounts, \$539.20; total receipts, \$5,476.78; expenditures, for school supplies, \$383.23, boarding department, \$4,331.34; improvements and repairs, \$754.49; gratuities, \$710.48; salaries, \$4,790; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$131.95; total expenditures, \$11,101.49; appropriations by the Society, \$3,750; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$400; by Women's Society of Chicago, \$640; total appropriation, \$4,790; enrollment, males, 61, females, 58; total, 119; average attendance, day students, 13; boarders, 44, general average, 57; preparing for College, 19; pursuing College course, 9; preparing to teach, 9; preparing for the ministry, 4; conversions, 6; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$89.68; for school supplies only, \$6.60; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$74.67; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$170.95.

Atoka Academy, founded at Atoka, I. T., 1888; not incorporated; Prof. E. H. Rishel, Principal, 1891. Teachers employed, white, 11; present estimated value of property, \$8,755.00; floating debts, \$979.11; balance in hand from previous year, \$133.13; from tuition, \$1,802.65; from Board, \$5,159.51; churches and individuals, \$328.16; old accounts, \$15.40; sources not included in classified accounts, \$322.55; total receipts, \$7,761.40; expenditures, for school supplies, \$108.19; boarding department, \$5,271.46; improvements and repairs, \$1,627.16; salaries, \$2638.70; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$120; total expenditures, \$9,765.51; appropri-

ations by the Society, \$1,025; by Woman's Society of Boston, \$800; by the trustees, \$813.70; total appropriations, \$2,638.70; enrollment, males, 111; females, 114; total, 225; average attendance, day students, 81; boarders, 48; general average, 129; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 60; conversions, 4; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$18.50; for school supplies only, 53 cents; for board, including all necessary labor in preparing it for use, \$72.58; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$54.76.

Cherokee Academy, founded at Tahlequah, I. T., 1886; not incorporated; Prof. J. C. Park, Principal, 1897. Teachers employed, white, 4; present estimated value of property, \$5,000.00; balance in hand from previous year, \$1.62; from tuition, \$264.30; from Board, \$541.68; churches and individuals, \$39; old accounts, \$14.40; sources not included in classified accounts, \$265.50; total receipts, \$1,131.50; expenditures, for school supplies, \$74.08; boarding department, \$659.10; salaries, \$1,600; sundries not included in classified accounts, \$298.32; total expenditures, \$2,631.50; appropriations by the Society, \$1,500; by the trustees, \$100; total appropriations, \$1,600; enrollment, males, 88; females, 74; total, 162; average attendance, day students, 40; receiving systematic instruction in industrial work, 3; preparing to teach, 8; conversions, 5; average cost per pupil for instruction only, \$21.43; for school supplies only, \$1.16; for all expenses incurred in conducting the school except special improvements, \$25.98.

CHINESE MISSION SCHOOLS.

Appropriations by the Society in California: Redlands, \$120; San Francisco, \$800; Oakland, \$700. In Washington: Spokane, \$480. By the Woman's Society of Boston in California: Fresno, \$500.00; Sacramento, \$400.00; Butte City, Mont., \$300.00.

SCHOOLS IN UTAH.

Appropriations by the Woman's Society of Boston: Provo, \$702.00.

SCHOOLS IN MEXICO.

Appropriations by the Woman's Society of Boston: International, Monterey, \$409.31; Montemorelos, \$165.00.

SCHOOL IN NEW MEXICO.

Appropriations by the Society: Velarde, \$800.00; by the Woman's Society of Boston, \$600.00.

SCHOOL IN OKLAHOMA TERRITORY.

Appropriation by the Woman's Society of Boston: Wichita Mission, Anadarko, \$600.00.

SCHOOLS IN PORTO RICO.

Appropriations by the Woman's Society of Boston. Ponce, \$720.00; by the Women's Society of Chicago. San Juan, \$720.00

SCHOOL IN CUBA

Appropriation by the Women's Society of Chicago: Santiago, \$900.00; by the Woman's Society of Boston: Santiago, \$600.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR, 1900-1901.

1. The enrollment of students for the colored people was, males, 2,703; females, 3,495; total, 6,198; the average number of boarders was 1,804; day pupils, 1,987; general average, 3,791. Of the number enrolled, 486 were studying for the ministry, 1,833 preparing to teach, 258 in the missionary training course, 44 in the nurse training course, and 2,164 received systematic instruction in some line of industrial work. The enrollment in schools for Indians was 260 males, 246 females; total, 506. Of this number 4 were studying for the ministry and 9 preparing to teach. The total enrollment in all the schools, both colored and Indian, was 6,704; total number of conversions during the year was 297.

2. There were employed in all of the 25 colored schools receiving help from the American Baptist Home Mission Society, 274 teachers; 132 white, 142 colored; 106 of whom were males and 168 females. Of the male teachers 38 were white and 68 colored; of the female teachers 94 were white and 74 colored.

The expenditure for the salary of teachers for the school year 1900-1901 was as follows: The American Baptist Home Mission Society contributed for negro schools, \$63,694.59; Indian schools, \$6,275; Chinese and Mexican schools, \$2,000.00; the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society of New England, Negro schools, \$12,184.00; Indian schools, \$2,400;

Chinese, Mormon, Mexican and Porto Rican schools, \$3,796.31; the Women's Baptist Home Mission Society of Chicago, Negro schools, \$3,440.00; Indian schools, \$640.00; Cuban and Porto Rican schools, \$1,620.00; the Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society of Michigan, Negro schools, \$450.00; the Alabama Baptist Women's State Convention, Negro schools, \$160.00; Trustees and special friends of the 9 Negro schools managed by the American Baptist Home Mission Society (including Hartshorn Memorial College), \$10,904.10; the John F. Slater Fund, \$9,769.76; the 16 schools controlled by Negro Trustees, \$14,716.06 and Trustees of Indian schools \$913.70, making a total expenditure for teachers' salaries of \$133,863.52. Of this amount \$115,318.51 were paid to teachers in colored schools, \$9,628.70 to teachers in Indian schools, and \$8,914.31 to teachers in schools for Chinese, Cubans, Mormons, Mexicans and Porto Ricans.

4. The receipts from the colored people themselves for 1900-1901 were as follows: From tuition fees, \$26,504.88; from charge for board, \$83,754.10; from old accounts, \$4,728.83; from sources not designated in reports from schools, \$13,884.65; from churches and individuals, \$16,060.56, making a total of \$144,933.02. Of this amount \$14,716.06 has been paid as stated above in paragraph 3, on teachers' salaries, and the balance, \$130,216.96 has been expended for other current expenses, including board, school supplies, etc., by the President or Principal of each of the 25 schools, under the direction of the authorities of the institutions.

5. The American Baptist Home Mission Society contributed for the support of the colored schools in 1900-1901, in addition to the \$63,694.59 paid on the salaries of teachers given above in paragraph 3, the sum of \$149,362.05, which was expended for buildings and other purposes, making the total contributions by the Society \$213,056.64; this amount and the \$26,163.76 contributed by other outside sources named in paragraph 3, added to the \$144,933.02 contributed by the colored people, as given in paragraph 4, make a grand total of \$384,153.42, or nearly four hundred thousand dollars, expended in the education of the colored people in the schools helped by the Society during the school year 1900-1901.

6. There are now 25 schools for colored people helped by the American Baptist Home Mission Society, 16 of which are under the entire control and management of Negro Boards of Trustees. Of the other 9 schools, Jackson College has at present no Board of Trustees, and hence is managed from the office in New York. Each of the other 8 schools has a Board of Trustees composed of white and colored members, which is charged with the direct management of the institution, subject to approval by the Executive Board of the Society. There are in all of these boards 59 white and 23 colored members. The Society in 1900-1901 contributed to these 9 schools for teachers' salaries, \$52,994.59, and for building and other purposes, \$148,972.77, making a total of \$201,967.36. The colored people, in addition to

paying the charge made in these nine institutions for instruction, board, etc., have contributed for their support as follows: Churches and individuals, \$1,697.53, surplus from the schools, \$3,292.83; making a total of \$4,990.36, or an average per school of \$554.48.

7. The 16 schools under the entire control and management of Negro Boards of Trustees consist of 3 holding college charters and 13 secondary or academic schools. The aggregate salary of all the teachers in these 16 schools in 1900-1901 was \$28,256.06, of which the American Baptist Home Mission Society paid \$9,500.00. The expenditure for board, school supplies and all other current expenses was \$30,330.61, making a total expenditure for 1900-1901 of \$58,586.67. This amount provides but very meagerly for the support of the schools. Each of these schools is subject to visitation, and is required to make the same financial and other reports to the office in New York as the schools under the more immediate control of the Home Mission Society.

CONCLUSION.

At Springfield, in May, 1901, the Society voted "That we instruct our Executive Board to confer with the Boards of the other Societies with respect to a uniform qualification for voters, and to submit at the annual meeting of these Societies, in 1902, such recommendation as they may deem necessary for that purpose."

A conference of representatives of the Missionary Union, Home Mission Society and the Publication Society, held in New York, February 7, 1902, adopted the following, which after a month's consideration was adopted by your Board at its regular monthly meeting, March 10, 1902, and is herewith submitted to you for your consideration:

"After careful consideration of present basis of membership in the several Societies, the following were adopted:

"That in the judgment of this Conference it is desirable and feasible for the three Societies represented to have a uniform basis of membership at least in the following particulars.

"1. Individual annual members upon the payment of ten dollars.

"2. Annual members appointed by contributing churches on the basis of one for each church; and an additional member for

each \$50.00 contributed; provided that no church be entitled to more than ten members.

"3. Honorary life members, whether so constituted by the payment, either by themselves, by friends, or by churches, of \$50.00. Every such member shall have a vote in the meetings of the Society, so long as he continues to be an annual contributor to the treasury. But no person shall vote in the meetings of the Society who is not a member in good standing of a regular Baptist Church.

"4. That an exception be made in the case of the Missionary Union in making its missionaries annual members."

In further compliance with your directions given at Springfield, in 1901, there was held in New York, on December 3 and 4, 1901, a conference of representatives of the Home Mission Society, the Missionary Union, Publication Society, and four women's Missionary Societies. There were present seventy-four representatives; the Conference continued through five sessions, and considered the question of uniform qualifications of membership, the requirement of credentials from all persons participating in the Anniversaries; seating of delegates together; the proper manner of conducting the Anniversary meetings; and the relations of the various Societies to each other.

It was voted that the proceedings of this Conference be reported through the Boards to the several Societies at the Anniversaries of 1902 in the order of their meeting, with the request that the consideration of the questions involved be referred to a general meeting representing all the Societies to follow the usual Society meetings.

At a meeting of the Executive Board, held on Monday, April 14th, 1902, the following vote was passed regarding the consolidation of the various Home Mission Societies.

Whereas, The Women's Baptist Home Mission Society at its annual meeting in Springfield, Mass., May 20-22, 1901, formally declared in favor of a consolidation with the other Baptist Home Mission Societies, so that the work now being done by three bodies may be done by one Society; and

Whereas, At the Mid-Winter Conference in New York City,

in December, 1901, a further declaration from the Executive Board of that Society was presented, concerning the unification of its work with that of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and was recommended by the Conference to the careful consideration of the Executive Board of the American Baptist Home Mission Society; and

Whereas, There appears to be a very general conviction that the work of these three Home Mission organizations should be unified; therefore,

Resolved, That the Executive Board of The American Baptist Home Mission Society, believing that unification is desirable, hereby invites the Women's Baptist Home Mission Society (of Chicago) and the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society (of Boston), each to appoint not more than seven representatives to meet a like number from The American Baptist Home Mission Society in Conference in New York City on Wednesday, June 25, 1902, for the consideration of the subject, and, if possible, to formulate a plan of consolidation, for submission to the three Societies for their approval.

Resolved, That for the equalization of expenses incident to such a Conference this Society will assume one-half of the amount incurred by each of the Women's Societies represented therein.

In surrendering to you the trust committed to it and rendering an account of its stewardship for another year, your Board desires to put on record its sense of the great dignity of the work entrusted to it; its appreciation of the active co-operation of pastors; the hearty support of the denominational press; the liberality of individual givers; the fidelity of the Superintendents and District Secretaries and self-sacrificing labors of the great body of missionaries and teachers; and above all, the gracious providence of the great Head of the Church, Whose we are and Whom we serve.

T. J. MORGAN,
Corresponding Secretary.

W. C. P. RHOADES,
Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31ST, 1902.
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS.		
General Fund—		
General Purposes.....	\$403,801 65	
Special Purposes.....	84,987 01	\$488,788 66
Church Edifice Gift Fund.....		27,584 74
" " Loan Fund.....		6,364 93
Permanent Trust Fund.....		8,149 81
Annuity Fund.....		42,781 74
Conditional Fund.....		40,553 75
Total receipts.....		\$614,223 63
Cash in the Treasury, April 1, 1901:		
General Fund—		
Available.....	203 41	
Designated.....	8,646 75	
Church Edifice Gift Fund—		
Available.....	11,343 56	
Designated.....	22,676 41	42,870 13
Debt of the General Fund, April 1, 1902.....		13,629 69
		\$670,723 45
DISBURSEMENTS.		
General Fund—		
General Purposes.....	416,081 00	
Special Purposes.....	72,510 41	488,591 41
Church Edifice Gift Fund.....		28,786 91
" " Loan Fund.....		3,085 19
Total Disbursements.....		\$520,463 51
Added to the various Funds during the year.....		94,765 04
Cash in Treasury, April 1, 1902—		
General Fund, Designated.....	22,677 10	
Church Edifice Gift Fund, Available.....	15,512 36	
" " " " Designated.....	17,305 44	55,494 90
		\$670,723 45

An analysis of the above will be found on pages 142 to 159

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS.			
For General Purposes—			
1. Contributions.....		\$254,379	67
2. Surplus from Schools.....			
Bishop College.....	\$1,913 14		
Jackson College.....	1,100 00		
Roger Williams University ..	1,277 67	5,190	81
3. Legacies.....		78,348	62
4. *Annuity Funds, Released by Death of Donors ..		11,000	00
5. Income from Permanent Trust Fund.....		18,446	86
6. " " Isaac Davis Fund.....		505	00
7. " " Annuity Fund.....		20,730	74
8. " " Conditional Fund.....		292	86
9. " " Real Estate.....		530	71
10. " " Interest and Dividends.....		882	21
11. " " Home Mission Monthly.....		1,579	44
12. " " Home Mission Bulletin.....		561	51
13. Sale of Real Estate.....		2,224	00
14. Miscellaneous.....		6,038	41
			\$403,301 62
For Special Purposes.....			
1. Contributions, designated for Schools.....		59,420	30
2. For Virginia Union University.....		5,100	00
3. †For Jackson College.....		20,002	30
4. For Other Purposes.....		464	30
			84,987 00
Total Receipts.....			\$488,288 66
Cash in Treasury, April 1, 1931, Available.....		203	41
Designated.....		8,646	75
			8,850 16
Debt of the General Fund, April 1, 1932.....			13,629 69
			\$511,268 51

DISBURSEMENTS.			
FOR MISSION WORK			
AMONG THE FOLLOWING NATIONALITIES.			
Americans.....	\$107,912	52	
Bohemians.....	622	00	
Chinese.....	4,375	67	
Cubans.....	8,386	55	
Danes.....	5,053	44	
Finnish.....	224	18	
French.....	6,136	94	
German.....	17,349	75	
Hollanders.....	117	95	
Indians.....	5,142	77	
Italians.....	3,337	39	
Japanese.....	674	67	
Jews.....	1,000	00	
Mexicans.....	10,135	35	
Negroes.....	6,080	40	
Norwegians.....	3,947	19	
Poles.....	875	00	
Porto Ricans.....	7,690	62	
Portuguese.....	350	00	
Russians.....	250	00	
Swedes.....	17,812	43	
Total for Missions.....			\$207,964 88
Amount forward.....			\$207,964 82

* Reported in former years among donations for Annuity Fund.

† Part payment from sale of old College property, held for the purchase of new property.

Amount brought forward.....			\$207,964 82
FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK.			
Higher Schools for Negroes.			
Alabama Baptist Colored University, Ala.—			
Salary of C. S. Dmkins, Principal, to October 1, 1901.....	\$200 00		
" " C. O. Boothe, Principal, to April 1, 1902.....	200 00		
" " Teachers.....	675 00		
		\$1,075 00	
Arkansas Baptist College, Ark.—			
Salary of Jos. A. Booker, Principal.....	\$500 00		
" " Teachers.....	900 00		
		1,400 00	
Atlanta Baptist College, Ga.—			
Salary and Expenses of Geo. Sale, President.....	1,60 66		
" of Teachers.....	6,155 63		
Expenses.....	1,117 08		
Designated for Students	87 50		
Special.....	146 79		
		9,116 66	
Benedict College, S. C.—			
Salary of Abraham C. Osborn, President.....	\$1,500 00		
" of Teachers.....	5,212 50		
Expenses.....	195 50		
		6,908 00	
Bishop College, Tex.—			
Salary of Albert Loughridge, President, to October 1, 1901	\$750 00		
" and Expenses of A. B. Chaffee, President, to April			
1, 1902.....	895 76		
" of Teachers	6,792 27		
Expenses.....	280 10		
		8,718 13	
Hartshorn, Memorial College, Va.—			
Salary of Lyman B. Tefft, President.....	\$1,200 00		
" " Teachers.....	2,137 50		
		3,337 50	
Jackson College, Miss.—			
Salary of Luther G. Barrett, President.....	\$1,500 00		
" " Teachers.....	3,813 78		
		5,313 78	
Roger Williams University, Tenn.—			
Salary of Peter B. Guernsey, President.....	\$1,500 00		
" " Teachers.....	6,081 25		
Expenses.....	280 75		
		7,862 00	
Shaw University, N. C.—			
Salary of Charles F. Meserve, President.....	\$2,000 00		
" " Teachers.....	5,340 00		
Expenses.....	258 75		
Designated for Students.....	37 50		
Special.....	700 00		
		8,336 25	
Spelman Seminary, Ga.—			
Salary of Harriet E. Giles, President.....	\$800 00		
" " Lucy H. Upton, Dean.....	600 00		
" " Teachers.....	6,289 75		
Expenses.....	815 12		
Designated for Students.....	11 25		
Special.....	603 45		
		9,119 57	
Specially Designated for Buildings and Equipment....		54,870 82	
Amount forward.....		\$116,057 71	\$207,964 82

Amount brought forward...		\$116,057 71	\$207,964 82
State University, Ky.—			
Salary of C. L. Purce, Principal.....	\$511 40		
" " Teachers.....	511 12	1,022 28	
Virginia Union University, Va.—			
Salary and Expenses of M. MacVicar, President.....	\$2,148 80		
" " George Rice Hovey, Vice Pres.	1,611 00		
Salary of George F. Gensung, Dean of the Theological			
Seminary, to October 1, 1901.....	740 00		
Salary of Teachers.....	10,192 27		
" of other Employees.....	936 15		
Expenses.....	1,982 40		
Designated for Students.....	150 00		
Special.....	1,200 63	19,182 25	
Construction Account.....	15,542 27		
Salary and Expenses of J. W. Kirby.....	84 32	15,626 59	
In Secondary Schools.			
Americus Institute, Ga.—			
Salary of M. W. Reddick, Principal.....	\$187 50		
" " Teachers.....	312 50	500 00	
Bible and Normal Institute, Tenn.—			
Salary of Joshua Lavister, Principal.....		500 00	
Coleman Academy, La.—			
Salary of O. L. Coleman, Principal.....	\$400 00		
" " Teachers.....	600 00	1,000 00	
Florida Baptist Academy, Fla.—			
Salary of N. W. Collier, Principal.....	\$375 00		
" " Teachers.....	200 00		
Designated for Students.....	171 00		
Building Account.....	500 00	1,246 00	
Florida Institute, Fla.—			
Salary of G. P. McKinney, Principal.....	\$137 50		
" " Teachers.....	237 44	374 94	
Hearne Academy, Tex.—			
Salary of F. G. Davis, Principal.....	\$250 00		
" " Teachers.....	247 25	497 25	
Houston Academy, Tex.—			
Salary of D. A. Scott, Principal.....	\$250 00		
" " Teachers.....	250 00		
" " A. R. Griggs, Special.....	225 00	725 00	
Amount forward.....		\$156,730 96	\$207,004 87

Amount brought forward.....		\$156,730 96	\$207,964 82
Jeruel Academy, Ga.—			
Salary of J. H. Brown, Principal.....	\$300 00		
" " Teachers.....	200 00	500 02	
Mather School, S. C.—			
Salary of Mrs. R. C. Mather, Principal.....	\$200 00		
" " Teachers.....	900 00	1,100 00	
Spiller Academy, Ga.—			
Salary of George E. Read, Principal.....	\$300 00		
Salary of Teachers.....	200 00	500 00	
Walker Baptist Academy, Ga.—			
Salary of N. W. Curtright, Principal.....	\$150 00		
" " Teachers.....	340 00	500 00	
Water's Normal Institute, N. C.—			
Salary and Expenses of C. S. Brown, Principal.....	\$767 70		
" " Teachers.....	700 00	1,467 70	
Western College, Mo.—			
Salary of Enos L. Scruggs, Principal.....	\$375 00		
" " Teachers.....	550 00	925 00	
Work in Tennessee.—			
Salary and Expenses of T. J. Searcy.....		567 43	
In Indian Schools.			
Indian University, I. T.—			
Salary of J. H. Scott, President.....	\$1,200 00		
" " Teachers.....	3,992 76		
Expenses.....	167 53		
Designated for Students.....	20 00		
Building Account.....	500 00	5,880 29	
Atoka Academy, Ind. Ter.—			
Salary of E. H. Rishel, Principal.....	\$900 00		
Teachers.....	925 00		
Expenses.....	53 75		
Property Account.....	246 16		
Cherokee Academy, Ind. Ter.—		2,124 91	
Salary of J. C. Park, Principal, to June 1, 1901.....	\$177 84		
" " W. J. Pack, Principal, to April 1, 1902.....	233 31		
" " Teachers.....	1,189 99		
Expenses.....	218 75	1,819 89	
Wichita Mission, O. T.—			
Salary of Mrs. L. J. Dyke.....	\$200 00		
Expenses.....	289 34	489 34	
Elk Creek Mission, O. T.—			
Salary of Mrs. G. W. Hicks.....		340 00	
Amount forward		\$172,745 34	\$207,964 82

Amount brought forward.....		\$72,745 54	\$27,964 83
In Chinese Schools.			
Salary of Teachers in California: Fresno.....	\$200 00		
" " " " Oakland	700 00		
" " " " Redlands.....	90 00		
" " " " Sacramento.....	300 00		
" " " " San Francisco.....	900 00		
Expenses.....	256 28		
		2,846 28	
Salary of Teachers at Butte, Mont.		120 12	
" " " " Spokane, Wash.....		440 00	
In Schools for Mexicans.			
Schools in Mexico.—			
Mexico City, Salary of Teacher.....		430 00	
Monterey—			
Salary of Teachers.....	\$514 31		
School Supplies.....	29 26		
		543 57	
Montemorelos.—			
Salary of Teachers.....		70 00	
Velarde School, New Mexico.—			
Salary of Teachers.....	\$1,405 00		
Expenses.....	200 00		
		1,605 00	
In Schools for Mormons.			
Provo, Utah.			
Salary of Teachers		512 00	
In Schools for Cubans.			
Santiago;—			
Salary and Expenses of Teachers.....	\$1,566 66		
Other Expenses	96 52		
		1,663 18	
In Schools for Porto Ricans.			
Ponce.—			
Salary of Teacher.. . . .		708 31	
Total for Education			\$161,977 00
Amount forward			\$334,937 52

Amount brought forward.....		\$380,937 89
GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS.		
H. L. Morehouse, D.D., Field Sec., Salary.....	\$4,000 00	
Traveling and Incidental Expenses.....	364 50	
N. B. Raitlen, D.D., Supt. Missions, Salary.....	2,000 00	
Traveling and Incidental Expenses.....	987 84	
O. A. Williams, D.D., Supt. Missions, Salary, half time..	900 00	
Traveling and Incidental Expenses.....	266 99	
C. A. Woodydy, D.D., Supt. Missions, Salary, half time..	775 00	
Traveling and Incidental Expenses.....	407 79	
		\$9,642 13
DISTRICT SECRETARIES.		
S. C. Fulmer, Salary.....	2,300 00	
Expenses of District.....	642 97	
F. T. Haslewood, D.D., Salary.....	2,000 00	
Expenses of District.....	936 80	
E. H. E. Jameson, D.D., Salary.....	1,700 00	
Expenses of District.....	745 61	
Samuel McBride, D.D., Salary, 8 mos.....	1,333 38	
*Expenses of District.....	114 46	
E. B. Palmer, D.D., Salary.....	2,000 00	
Expenses of District.....	1,152 42	
W. E. Powell, D.D., Salary, 4 mos.....	400 00	
Expenses of District.....	32 36	
D. D. Proper, Salary.....	1,500 00	
Expenses of District.....	952 18	
Mrs. Wm. Scott, Salary.....	983 34	
Expenses.....	583 81	
Dwight Spencer, D.D., Salary, 7 mos.....	700 00	
*Expenses of District.....	202 04	
John S. Stump, Salary, 5 mos.....	500 00	
Expenses of District.....	224 72	
Judson B. Thomas, D.D., Salary.....	2,000 00	
Expenses of District.....	1,096 43	
Mrs. E. G. Wheeler, Salary.....	600 00	
Expenses.....	540 71	
O. A. Williams, D.D., Salary, half time.....	900 00	
Expenses of District.....	267 00	
C. A. Woodydy Salary, half time.....	775 00	
Expenses of District.....	407 79	
		24,599 95
SECRETARY'S AND TREASURER'S DEPARTMENTS		
T. J. Morgan, LL.D., Cor. Sec., Salary.....	4,000 00	
Expenses.....	276 33	
Assistant Secretary and Clerks Salaries.....	7,000 39	
Frank R. Hathaway, Treasurer, Salary.....	2,750 00	
Expenses.....	30 69	
Clerks.....	3,354 00	
		17,509 39
PUBLICATION ACCOUNT.		
Home Mission Monthly.....	3,214 88	
Home Mission Pulletin.....	942 18	
Home Mission Echoes.....	430 21	
		4,587 27
EXPENSE ACCOUNT.		
Anniversary Expenses.....	302 87	
Annual Report.....	754 42	
Audit.....	200 00	
Exchange.....	125 89	
Incidental Expenses.....	1,746 56	
Internal Revenue.....	4 31	
Legal Expenses.....	257 20	
Postage.....	838 76	
Printing and Stationery.....	1,933 86	
Rent.....	2,925 00	
		9,177 97
		\$65,514 70
Less amount paid by Church Edifice Funds.....	6,000 00	
		\$59,514 70
Amount forward.....		\$449,432 58

* The larger part of the expenses of this district is charged among the Society's current expenses.

Amount brought forward...			\$449,452 52
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Annuities.....		\$23,039 90	
J. M. Whitehead.		244 98	
Interest		11,284 41	
Grande Ligne Mission, Canada, Income from Martha Whiting Fund.....	\$1,790 00		
Colored Baptist Church, Christiansburg, Va., Income from John Smart Fund	40 00		
Woman's Am. Bap Home Mission Society, for Alaska work	150 00		
Baptist Church, Cripple Creek, Colo., Designated.....	5 00		
Special, on account of Annuity.....	50 00		
Sundry Investments.....		2,075 00	
Sundry Transfers		1,762 76	
Total Disbursements.. . . .			\$38,172 05
			766 84
Cash in the Treasury, April 1, 1902, Designated.			22,677 10
			\$511,258 51

 RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR CHURCH EDIFICE GIFT FUND.

RECEIPTS.		
Contributions....	\$15,065 25	
Legacies.....	1,691 94	
*Annuities released by death of Donor.....	1,000 00	
Income from Investments.....	7,969 25	
Realized from Former Gifts.....		\$25,726 44
		1,858 30
Total Receipts.....		\$27,584 74
Balance, April 1, 1901, Available.....	11,343 56	
Designated....	22,676 41	34,019 97
		\$61,604 71

DISBURSEMENTS.	
Gifts to the following Churches:	
California, Chino.....	\$175 00
" East Los Angeles.....	900 00
Canada, Edmonton, Alberta, N. W. T., First German.....	300 00
Colorado, Dolores.....	200 00
" Pueblo, Eighth Street Colored.....	200 00
Cuba, Manzanillo.....	541 83
" Minas.....	350 00
" Santiago.....	150 00
Idaho, Hailey.....	250 00
† " Harrison.....	100 00
Illinois, Chicago, Polish.....	2,794 63
" Fernwood.....	601 75
† " Harvey.....	100 00
" Newton.....	24 00
Indian Territory, Afon, First.....	150 00
" " Cowlington.....	100 00
" " Spiro, First.....	200 00
" " Wewoka.....	200 00
Kansas, Alta Vista, German.....	250 00
" Chase, Bowman's Grove.....	100 00
" Hollenburg.....	125 00
" Lyons.....	219 00
" Pittsburg.....	500 00
" Valley Falls.....	124 50
Massachusetts, Monson, Italian.....	75 00
Michigan, Detroit, German.....	500 00
Minnesota, Bethel.....	100 00
† " Comfort, Swedish.....	100 00
† " Mankato, Scandinavian.....	150 00
Nebraska, Lincoln, Mt. Zion, Colored.....	200 00
" Omaha, Grace.....	500 00
New Jersey, Passaic, German.....	500 00
† New Mexico, Alamogordo.....	300 00
" " Raton, Mission of First Church.....	90 00
† " Silver City.....	300 00
Nevada, Wadsworth.....	250 00
New York, Buffalo, Kensington.....	500 00
North Dakota, Danzig, German.....	250 00
" " Cheyenne, First.....	200 00
" " Valley City, First Scandinavian.....	400 00
Oklahoma, Anadarko, First.....	300 00
" El Reno.....	200 00
" Enid.....	15 00
" Geary, Arapahoe, Chapel.....	600 00
" Weatherford.....	200 00
Oregon, Dillard.....	200 00
" Portland, Calvary.....	125 00
" " Immanuel.....	300 00
" The Dalles, Calvary.....	200 00
Porto Rico, Ponce.....	3,562 40
Amount forward.....	\$18,773 11

* Formerly reported among donations for Annuity Fund.

† Also a loan from the Loan Fund.

 RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR CHURCH EDIFICE GIFT FUND.

Amount brought forward.....	\$25,773 14	
†South Dakota, Buffalo Gap.....	\$250 00	
" " Entrake.....	350 00	
Texas, Galveston, Macedonia, Colored.....	300 00	
" Hempstead, Mt. Corinth, Colored.....	100 00	
" Houston, Bethel, Colored.....	130 80	
" " Macedonia, Colored.....	25 00	
" " Mount Calvary, Colored.....	50 00	
" " St Marks, Colored.....	50 00	
Utah, Murray.....	750 00	
" Springville.....	550 00	
†Washington, Davenport, First.....	200 00	
" Dryad.....	150 00	
" Fremont.....	250 00	
† " Kirkland, First.....	300 00	
" Olympia, Central.....	500 00	
" Puyallup.....	500 00	
" Spokane First.....	308 50	
" Stephens Butte.....	225 00	
" Tacoma, First Swedish.....	400 00	
West Virginia, St Mary's.....	250 00	
Wisconsin, Greenfield.....	300 00	
" Hillsdale.....	150 00	
" New Richmond, First.....	500 00	
Wyoming, Burlington.....	350 00	
Total Amount of Gifts.....	\$25,511 41	
Expenses.....	3,264 54	
Miscellaneous.....	20 00	
Total Disbursements.....	\$28,780 95	
Balance in Treasury April 1, 1902, Available.....	55,522 36	
" " Designated.....	17,305 44	
		38,217 80
		\$61,604 71

† Also a loan from the Loan Fund.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Loans Repaid.....	\$15,451 12	
Interest received.....	6,339 93	
Realized from sale of Property.....	25 00	
Total Receipts.....		\$21,816 05
Balance in Treasury, April 1, 1901.....		10,129 43
		\$31,945 48

DISBURSEMENTS.

Loans to the following Churches:		
Colorado, Boulder.....	\$300 00	
*Idaho, Harrison	250 00	
*Illinois, Harvey, First.....	1,000 00	
Kansas, Atchison, Ebenezer, Colored	500 00	
" Topeka, Third, Colored.....	200 00	
Michigan, Escanaba, First.....	300 00	
*Minnesota, Comfort, Swede.....	150 00	
" Frazee	250 00	
* " Mankato, Scandinavian.....	250 00	
Nebraska, Lodi.....	100 00	
*New Mexico, Alamogordo.....	400 00	
* " Silver City	300 00	
Oklahoma, El Reno.....	200 00	
*South Dakota, Buffalo Gap.....	150 00	
" Geddes.....	400 00	
*Washington, Davenport, First....	300 00	
* " Kirkland.....	350 00	
Total Amount of Loans..		\$5,400 00
Annuities.....		56 00
Expenses.....		3,029 19
Miscellaneous.....		365 99
Total Disbursements.....		\$8,851 18
Balance in the Treasury, April 1, 1902.....		23,094 30
		\$31,945 48

*Also a Gift from the Gift Fund.

INVESTED FUNDS OF THE SOCIETY.

I. PERMANENT TRUST FUND.

The Society has received the following funds, which it holds in trust, expending only the income

FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.

Allen, Jonas	\$100 00	Kelly, Chloe M.	500 00
Anderson, David	1,000 00	Kendall, Horace	1,000 00
Axtell, Mrs. H. E.	311 11	Lees, William V.	950 00
Baile, David	1,055 00	Linch, Jarett.	12,426 36
Ballew, W. B.	384 65	Little, George W.	5,000 00
Barney, Nancy Potter,		Luttler, Nathan.	3,874 68
Memorial	5,000 00	Logan, John.	400 00
Blain, John	1,000 00	Merrick, Austin ..	53,069 30
Bleecker, G. N.	17,000 00	Mendenhall, T. G.	1,932 33
Brimhall, Parmelia ..	1,572 99	Noyes, Mary	1,000 00
Brockett, E. J.	1,000 00	Norcross, Stephen W.	500 00
Butler, Charles S.	1,000 00	Nugent, George	1,000 00
Capen, Barnabas D.	10,000 00	Pease, Nancy P.	1,000 00
Carleton, Younglove.	830 21	Pillsbury, George A.	5,000 00
Cheever, William.	7,657 82	Roberts, Elizabeth.	3,000 00
Corry, Aaron.	1,480 81	Rockwell, Rufus	461 80
Darling, Henry.	1,000 00	Rogers, Anna	500 00
Davis, Isaac	10,100 00	Rogers, Elz. W.	500 00
Drown, Mary Newell.	600 00	Ruth, Mordecai T.	5,242 68
Dunbar, Robert.	500 00	Selleck, Levi.	1,000 00
Eaton, Fidelia D.	1,734 23	Sherman, George J.	1,000 00
Eldridge, Lyman.	75 00	Smith, Alice, Memorial. .	5 00
Fay, Mrs. L. R. B.	4,189 61	Stephens, Amos.	55 70
Fiske, Theron.	2,500 00	Swaim, Mary A. M.	9,400 00
Flint, Harriet N.	5,000 00	Thorn, Mrs. John, Me-	
Frazer Fund.	3,500 00	morial	5,000 00
Frisbe, Sarah M.	1,000 00	Tripp Susan.	500 00
Giddings, Mrs. Lovina. .	600 00	Van Husan, C., Me-	
Glover, Henry R.	5,000 00	morial	2,000 00
Ham, William	100 00	Wickens, George.	500 00
Howard, Harry H.	100 00	Woods, John.	1,922 19
Hoyt, Joseph B.	25,000 00	Wolverton, George A.	5,000 00
John, Lizzie J., Me-		† —————	2,000 00
morial	1,000 00		
Total for General Purposes		\$237,131 47	

Amount brought forward.....\$237,131 47

FOR SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION.

Bostwick, Jabez A.....\$6,000 00
 Bradford, S. S..... 1,000 00
 Colby, Emily S..... 200 00
 Marston, S. W..... 2,000 00

\$9,200 00

Endowment of Schools, viz.:

Atlanta Baptist College,

General Endowment..... 5 00

Cook, Josiah W.....20,000 00

Ripley, Mrs. A. O..... 1,000 00

\$21,005 00

Benedict College,

General Endowment..... \$121,107 98

Indian University,

General Endowment..... 2,126 02

Jackson College,

General Endowment..... 476 25

Roger Williams University,

General Endowment..... 3,850 96

Champney, Sarah H..... 500 00

†————— 530 00

\$4,880 96

Shaw University,

General Endowment.....26,588 02

Buss, Harriet M..... 350 00

Leonard, Judson Wade..... 5,000 00

\$31,938 02

Spelman Seminary,

General Endowment..... 256 00

Monroe, Mary E..... 5,000 00

†————— 900 00

\$6,156 00

Virginia Union University,

General Endowment,

Harris, Mary D..... 1,000 00

Hedstrom Fund..... 1,000 00

Library Fund..... 3,763 44

Theological Department,

Colby, Emily S..... 500 00

Hoyt, Joseph B.....25,000 00

Amount forward\$31,263 44 \$196,890 23 \$237,131 47

Amount brought forward.....	\$31,263 44	\$196,890 23	\$237,111 47
Reed, Susan C.....	1,000 00		
Rockefeller, John D.....	25,000 00		
Smith, S. F.....	1,000 00		
Tallman, Lydia S.....	1,400 00		
Union Professorship.....	7,248 41		
Waterhouse, C. W.....	1,000 00		
Collegiate Department,			
General Endowment.....	19,070 33		
Gray, Mercy Maria.....	2,000 00		
Wayland, Elizabeth L.....	150 00		
+-----	1,500 00		
		\$90,632 18	
Total for Schools and Education....			\$287,522 41
			<u>\$524,653 88</u>

FOR MISCELLANEOUS PURPOSES.

Smart, John	\$1,000 00		
Whiting, Martha	1,000 00		
			<u>\$2,000 00</u>
Total Fund, April 1, 1902.....			\$526,653 88
Amount reported last year..		\$518,504 07	
Increase as follows:			
Ballew, W. B.....	\$384 65		
Eaton, Estate of Fidelia D.....	1,734 23		
Lynch, Estate of Jarett.....	30 93		
Little, Estate of George W.....	5,000 00		
Marston, S. W. Fund.....	1,000 00	8,149 81	
			<u>\$526,653 88</u>
Total Fund, April 1, 1902....			\$526,653 88

The above funds are invested as follows:

Mortgages on Real Estate in New York and Brooklyn	\$253,300 00
Mortgages elsewhere	25,900 00
Railroad Bonds	101,476 39
Railroad Bonds and Stocks, as donated.....	35,710 00
Other Stocks and Bonds, as donated.....	8,500 00
Amount forward	<u>\$424,886 39</u>

Amount brought forward.....	\$424,886 39	
Real Estate	87,284 97	
Cash in Depository.....	2,556 82	
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	\$514,728 18	
Profit and Loss.....	11,925 70	
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		\$526,653 88

II. ANNUITY FUND.

Donations upon which interest is paid, during life, either to the donor, or to such person or object as the donor may designate:

Amount reported April 1, 1901.....		\$454,503 26
Added during the year by donations.....	\$41,781 74	
Added during the year by legacy.....	1,000 00	42,781 74
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		\$497,285 00
Transferred to General Fund during the year by death of annuitants	\$11,000 00	
Transferred to Church Edifice Gift Fund during the year by death of annuitants.....	1,000 00	
Transferred to Investment Account.....	1,133 11	
Returned to donor.....	100 00	
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		\$13,233 11
Total Fund, April 1, 1902.....		<hr/>
		\$484,051 89

These funds are invested as follows, viz.:

Mortgages on real estate in New York and Brooklyn	\$30,900 00	
Mortgages elsewhere.....	29,600 00	
Real Estate.....	89,302 05	
Stocks, bonds and debentures.....	54,091 25	
Stocks and bonds, as donated.....	7,440 75	
Temporary loan for construction of Virginia Union University, \$75,100 00 designated, balance secured by assets under schedule VI.....	163,664 67	
Cash in depositories.....	100,454 07	
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	\$475,452 79	
Suspense account	8,599 10	
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		\$484,051 89

The following list gives the amounts upon which the Society is now paying interest:

Allen, Jonathan L.....	3,317 10	Gates, Marcius A.....	2,000 00
Ambler, Mrs. A. T.....	13,900 00	Gould, Julia N.....	250 00
Ambler, Fund, J. V.....	15,000 00	Grow, W. B.....	100 00
Ashley, Miss L. M.....	400 00	Hale, David.....	5,000 00
Arnold, Anne Elizabeth.	1,000 00	Haley, Mrs. A. M.....	2,500 00
Blake, Mrs. Fannie R...	1,000 00	Hall, Mrs. Ann E.....	1,600 00
Bell, Miss Minerva.....	500 00	Hammond, Mary E....	500 00
Brett, Mrs. Celia L.....	1,700 00	Hammond, Ruth H.....	500 00
Bidwell, William L.....	1,000 00	Harbig, Mrs. Mary E..	1,000 00
Bishop, Mrs. C. C.....	19,000 00	Hardin, Florence J.....	100 00
Briggs, Miss Addie I....	1,000 00	Harris, Mrs. Mary D...	2,000 00
Bliss, John W.....	1,500 00	Hawkins, William.....	12,000 00
Boardman, Mrs. M. O....	500 00	Henrich, A.....	2,000 00
Boynton, Mrs. H. D.....	486 10	Herrick, Mrs. M. B....	300 00
Brockway, Mrs. Alice T.	4,000 00	Hitchcock, Titus L.....	1,002 00
Brown, Mrs. Laura K....	1,000 00	Hoff, Mary Augusta....	2,000 00
Brown, Mrs. Samuel N.	3,000 00	Homan, Sarah A.....	1,274 73
Burke, Miss Ida J.....	500 00	Howe, William.....	8,000 00
Burgess, I. J.....	100 00	Huff, Miss Elizabeth....	500 00
Burroughs, E.....	500 00	Hughes, William.....	1,000 00
Carpenter, Mrs. Harriet E.....	8,000 00	Huntley, Frances J.....	1,000 00
Carr, Miss Anna Alila...	500 00	Huntley, William E.....	9,000 00
Chamberlain, W. D.....	1,000 00	Hurlin, Rev. William...	1,000 00
Chapin, Miss Anna D....	600 00	Jones, Mrs. J. N.....	2,500 00
Clark, Miss Julia.....	1,023 27	Kelsey, Mrs. D. Eliza..	100 00
Clark, Solomon.....	1,000 00	Kingsley, Chester W....	25,000 00
Crawford, Mrs. A. B....	40 00	Kingsbury, Mary B.....	400 00
Cheney, Alfred.....	400 00	Lamp, Hannah H.....	2,000 00
Chilson, Gardner.....	26,666 66	Lamprey, Sarah A.....	1,000 00
Collingwood, Effie J....	500 00	Lane, Lizzie A.....	1,000 00
Coolidge, Anna M. J....	1,000 00	Larnitt, Nancy Q.....	83 47
Crosby, Mrs. Sarah Ford.	250 00	Lesure, L. A.....	500 00
Currier, Mary H.....	500 00	Linch, Estate of Jarett..	1,000 00
Dakin, Mrs. Mary R....	730 00	Millard, O. H.....	1,500 00
Davis, Ella I.....	400 00	Mitchell, Mrs. Julia M..	200 00
Disbrow, Mrs. Clarissa..	500 00	Musson, Hephzibah F...	500 00
Durban, Mrs. B. J.....	1,500 00	Nichols, Charles H.....	3,800 00
Durfee, J. H.....	4,000 00	Nye, Mrs. Julia E.....	1,000 00
Dyer, Mrs. Lucy D.....	1,000 00	Onderdonk, Miss H. W.	31,000 00
Evans, Evan W.....	2,500 00	Parker, Miss Laura.....	200 00
Edwards, P. M.....	1,000 00	Parmley, Miss M. E.....	200 00
Erwin, Mrs. Keziah.....	100 00	Pratt, William C.....	500 00
Fernald, Mrs. E. H.....	2,500 00	Pettit, Mrs. Curtis.....	200 00
Ferry, Monroe.....	500 00	Pevear, Henry A.....	12,500 00
Fletcher, John.....	200 00	Pickford, Mrs. A. M....	5,000 00
Fish, Mrs. Ada B.....	3,000 00	Pisor, Margaret.....	2,015 00
Fish, R. D.....	100 00	Phillips, Lydia B.....	200 00
Fisk, Miss Grace.....	1,000 00	Proctor, Joel.....	2,000 00
Foster, Margaret S.....	5,000 00	Richardson, Mrs. H. V..	5,000 00
		Riggs, D. W.....	4,500 00

Rigley, Mrs. Eliza.....	3,000 00	Williams, John.....	7,000 00
Rogers, Alex. W.....	4,000 00	Willard, Mrs. Sarah A..	500 00
Rogers, Mrs. Jane M....	1,000 00	Wilson, Mary E.....	500 00
Root, John A.....	600 00	Wolcott, Mrs. M. L.....	100 00
Russell, P. R.....	2,700 00	Woolsey, Mrs. Lucy T..	400 00
Savage, Eleazer.....	2,000 00	÷—————	1,500 00
Sawyer, William H.....	1,000 00	÷—————	1,000 00
Sharpe, Sarah A.....	500 00	÷—————	5,500 00
Stacey, Sarah H.....	100 00	÷—————	1,000 00
Swan, Edward P.....	5,860 00	÷—————	1,000 00
Seeley, J. V. K.....	550 00	÷—————	5,000 00
Shepardson, D.....	1,000 00	÷—————	2,000 00
Shepardson, Mrs. E. S..	2,000 00	÷—————	3,500 00
Shepardson, Mary D....	1,000 00	÷—————	1,000 00
Sheridan, Rev. William.	1,000 00	÷—————	20,000 00
Stewart, A. J.....	100 00	÷—————	375 00
Silliman, Cornelia A. W.	1,000 00	÷—————	2,000 00
*Simmons, James B.....	2,627 12	÷—————	500 00
Scribner, Mrs. Eliza F..	300 00	÷—————	5,000 00
Smith, Daniel.....	1,000 00	÷—————	1,000 00
Smith, Mrs. J. L.....	800 00	÷—————	884 00
Smith, Mary E.....	1,000 00	÷—————	5,500 00
Springstead, Mason.....	2,000 00	÷—————	500 00
Shoults, Harriet C.....	200 00	÷—————	500 00
Stoddard, D. H.....	1,000 00	÷—————	7,000 00
Sumner, Mrs. S. A.....	500 00	÷—————	1,000 00
Taft, Mrs. A. B.....	1,600 00	÷—————	10,000 00
Train, Mrs. C. W.....	2,000 00	÷—————	11,100 00
Tirrell, Jesse.....	5,000 00	÷—————	2,000 00
Thompson, Mrs. Eliza J.	2,000 00	÷—————	300 00
Thompson, Judith E....	600 00	÷—————	4,000 00
Thomson, Anne	500 00	÷—————	100 00
Topping, A. R.....	571 79	÷—————	900 00
Towne, Mrs. Mary A....	2,500 00	÷—————	8,000 00
Trowbridge, Luther H..	5,000 00	÷—————	500 00
Troyer, William.....	1,500 00	÷—————	250 00
Twiss, Waldo C.....	1,000 00	÷—————	6,000 00
Utt, Mrs. Alice Francis.	1,000 00	÷—————	500 00
Ward, Mrs. Clara.....	2,323 66	÷—————	1,000 00
Watts, Henry.....	1,000 00	÷—————	500 00
West, Mrs. N. K.....	50 00	÷—————	2,500 00
White, Mrs. Ellen M...	1,000 00	÷—————	1,000 00
Willett, Mrs. H. S.....	1,750 00	÷—————	1,000 00

*This fund consists of cash in bank, \$610.36; stock and real estate as donated; actual value undetermined.

†Donors who do not wish their names published.

III. CONDITIONAL FUND.

Donations held temporarily in trust subject to conditions imposed by the donors:

Amount reported last year.....	\$8,536 16
Added during the year.....	40,553 75

\$49,089 91

Transferred to General Fund.....	\$14 81	
Transferred to Atlanta Baptist College.....	1,927 05	
Expenses	5 00	1,946 86

Total Fund, April 1, 1902.....	\$47,143 05
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Invested as follows, viz:

Railroad Bonds	4,690 55
Railroad and Other Bonds, as donated.....	35,375 00
Cash in Depository.....	7,077 50

\$47,143 05

IV. CHURCH EDIFICE BENEVOLENT TRUST FUND.

Amount of Fund.....	\$163,453 08
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Invested as follows, viz:

Mortgages on Real Estate in New York and

Brooklyn	27,000 00
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Mortgages elsewhere	8,250 00
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Stocks and Bonds, as donated.....	39,390 00
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Real Estate	84,709 09
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Cash in Depository.....	3,580 34
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\$162,929 43

Deficiency Account	523 65
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\$163,453 08

V. CHURCH EDIFICE LOAN FUND.

Outstanding Loans to Churches.....	\$127,712 02
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Cash in Depository	23,094 30	\$150,806 32
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Amount reported last year.....	147,841 17
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Receipts, interest	6,339 93
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Miscellaneous	25 00
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Amount forward	\$154,206 10
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Amount brought forward.....			\$154,206 10
Disbursements—			
Expenses	3,029 19		
Annuities	56 00	3,085 19	
			\$151,120 91
Special concessions		314 59	
Total fund, April 1, 1902.....			\$150,806 32

VL—MISCELLANEOUS.

For General Purposes.

Assets:

Stocks and Bonds.....	\$1,837 80
Mortgages	22,784 85
Real Estate	12,644 72
Miscellaneous	6,602 98
	\$43,870 35

Liabilities:

Note to Annuity Fund, for Construc- tion of Virginia Union University.	\$163,664 67
Less Washington Real Estate.....	73,712 40
	\$89,952 27
Less Donations, Designated.....	75,100 00
	14,852 27
	\$29,018 08

For Church Edifice Work.

Stocks	\$5,000 00
Mortgages	5,000 00
Real Estate	510 96
*Real Estate, Chicago, Ill.....	40,000 00
	\$50,510 96

*Value estimated by donor, income for Church Edifice work in Chicago.

FRANK R. HATHAWAY, *Treasurer.*

111 Fifth Avenue, New York, March 31, 1902.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We have the honor to report that the books, accounts and vouchers of the Society have been audited monthly during the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 1902, by Theodore Pentlurge, Certified Public Accountant, from whom we have the following Certificate, which we approve,

LEONARD F. REQUA.
EDGAR L. MARSTON.

Auditors.

New York,
May 10, 1902.

NEW YORK CITY, 220 Broadway, May 8th, 1902.

I have made a monthly audit of the books, accounts and vouchers of the American Baptist Home Mission Society during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1902, and I hereby certify that the foregoing report of the Treasurer is true and in accordance with the books, that the monies received by the Society have been applied as designated by the donors and disbursed in accordance with appropriations made by the Executive Board. I also certify that the securities, mortgages and other investments mentioned in the foregoing report are held by the Society, and that at the close of the fiscal year the amounts named in the foregoing report were to the credit of the Society in its several banks of deposit.

TH. PENTLURGE,
Certified Public Accountant.

In addition to the foregoing, the value of the school and mission properties under the charge of the Society, is estimated as follows:

I.—SCHOOL PROPERTIES.

Atlanta Baptist College, Atlanta, Ga.	Estimated Value,	\$75,000 00
Atoka Academy, Atoka, I. T.	" "	8,755 00
Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.	" "	76,000 00
Bishop College, Marshall, Texas	" "	100,000 00
Florida Baptist Academy, Jacksonville, Fla.	" "	11,170 00
†Florida Institute, Live Oak, Fla.	" "	840 00
Indian University, Bacone, I. T.	" "	30,000 00
Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.	" "	130,000 00
Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.	" "	300,000 00
Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.	" "	300,000 00
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		\$1,031,765 00

†Society's equity.

II.—MISSION PROPERTIES.

Anadarko, Okla. Ter.	Estimated Value,	\$1,800 00
Elk Creek, Okla. Ter.	" "	2,500 00
City of Mexico, Mex.	" "	26,000 00
Fort Sill, Okla. Ter.	" "	2,500 00
New Laredo, Mex.	" "	1,800 00
Rainy Mountain, Okla. Ter.	" "	2,500 00
Rio Piedras, Porto Rico	" "	1,400 00
Ponce, Porto Rico	" "	3,500 00
San Francisco, Cal.	" "	22,000 00
Santiago, Cuba	" "	15,000 00
Skagway, Alaska	" "	3,000 00
Tahlequah, I. T.	" "	5,000 00
Watonga, Okla. Ter.	" "	800 00
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		\$87,800 00

LEGACIES.

The following list exhibits the Legacies received by The American Baptist Home Mission Society during the year ending March 31, 1902, giving the names of the Testators, their residence and the amounts:

FOR GENERAL FUND.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Lebanon.—Edward C. Chandler..... \$250 00

VERMONT.

Brattleboro.—Mary C. Chase..... 200 00

Chester.—Persis Baldwin..... 1,675 00

Fairfax.—J. M. Hotchkiss..... 16 00

Windsor.—John P. Skinner..... 8 80

MASSACHUSETTS.

Agawam.—Mary Ann Smith..... 257 43

Desire A. Pyne..... 2,000 00

Boston.—Daniel Sharp Ford..... 31,250 00

George S. Dexter..... 5,000 00

Clinton.—Wilson Morse..... 1,000 00

Cambridge.—Josiah W. Cook..... 5,403 75

Dorchester.—Martha C. Williams.. 100 00

Gardner.—Susanna Stone..... 59 72

Holyoke.—Alexander Day..... 2,500 00

Lee.—Rebecca F. Hoar..... 1,387 77

Medfield.—Ralph A. Batelle..... 1,000 00

Newburyport.—Mary Elwell .. 23 15

Southbridge.—J. Edwards..... 54 00

Robert H. Cole..... 600 00

Sudbury.—Levi Goodenough..... 100 00

Sterling.—Harriet M. Buss .. 99 41

Westfield.—Ann Latimer... 350 00

Woburn.—Peter Fiske... 279 70

Wakefield.—Eunice Hill .. 48 80

RHODE ISLAND.

Newport.—Philip S. Taggart.. 1,000 00

Providence.—H. Jackson .. 40 75

CONNECTICUT.

<i>Griswold.</i> —Allen B. Campbell.....	500 00
<i>Hartford.</i> —John F. Phelps.....	292 17
<i>Putnam.</i> —Mary P. Gates.....	60 00
Joanna Barrett.....	43 83
<i>Quaker Hill.</i> —Margaret C. Hyde.....	148 00
Jessie A. Hyde.....	500 00
Polly Browning per Second Waterford Church..	12 00
<i>Stafford.</i> —Mary A. Denison.....	105 39
<i>Suffield.</i> —Sarah A. Remington.....	200 00

NEW YORK

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<i>Albion.</i> —Harrison Howland.....	299 25
Mrs. Lydia A. Harris.....	100 00
<i>Amsterdam.</i> —Maria E. Settle.....	200 00
<i>Alps.</i> —Mrs. W. Wright.....	15 00
<i>Buffalo.</i> —Eliza Inglis.....	986 05
Frederick W. Taylor.....	1,000 00
<i>Brooklyn.</i> —Joseph Wild.....	3,643 31
<i>Harrisburg.</i> —Dennis Johnson.....	99 75
<i>Maine.</i> —Lydia M. Gates.....	6 38
<i>Malone.</i> —Martha M. Meeker.....	380 00
<i>Manchester.</i> —Polly Mitchell.....	20 00
<i>Medina.</i> —James S. McCormick.....	8,180 39
<i>North Granville.</i> —Owin F. Mason.....	500 00
<i>New York City.</i> —August H. Nolting.....	500 00
<i>Phelps.</i> —Alonzo Swan.....	68 12
<i>Troy.</i> —Sabrina M. Rogers.....	279 97
<i>Summer Hill.</i> —Aaron Walker.....	7 50

NEW JERSEY.

<i>Bridgeton.</i> —Narcissa B. Sleeper.....	20 70
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PENNSYLVANIA.

<i>Hatboro.</i> —Lewis L. Walton.....	25 00
<i>Peters Creek.</i> —Ann S. Benson.....	25 50
<i>Philadelphia.</i> —Adeline S. Winter.....	475 00

VIRGINIA.

Petersburg.—Maria Wiggins..... 84 00

TEXAS.

Dallas.—Eliza McCoy..... 498 75

OHIO.

Colebrook.—Malinda Treat..... 3 25

MICHIGAN.

Lawrence.—Henry Donaldson..... 760 00

Leslie.—Matilda Weeks..... 100 00

ILLINOIS.

Chicago.—John Mason Jackson..... 300 00

Dundee.—Betsy Clark..... 10 00

Griggsville.—L. Eastman..... 200 00

WISCONSIN.

Beaver Dam.—Mrs. M. H. R. Green..... 100 00

Hudson.—Lydia F. Comstock..... 1,000 00

Janesville.—James B. Crosby..... 1,380 03

Racine.—Selina Winslow..... 499 70

MINNESOTA.

St. Paul.—Caroline M. Drake..... 15 30

\$78,348 62

FOR PERMANENT TRUST FUND.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Boston.—George W. Little..... 5,000 00

NEW YORK.

Manlius.—Fidelia D. Eaton..... 1,734 23

WEST VIRGINIA.

Morgantown.—Jarrett Linch 30 93

 \$6,765 16

FOR ANNUITY FUND.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Morgantown.—Jarrett Linch 1,000 00

 \$1,000 00

FOR CHURCH EDIFICE GIFT FUND.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

New Boston.—Salome R. Averill..... 86 84

MASSACHUSETTS.

Southbridge.—Robert H. Cole..... (X) (X) (X)

CONNECTICUT.

New London.—Ebenezer Morgan..... 1,000 00

MINNESOTA.

St. Paul.—Caroline M. Drake..... 5 10

Grand Total..... \$1,691 94
 \$87,805 72

MISSIONARY TABLE FOR 1901-1902.

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELDS OF LABOR	Weeks of Labor.										Churches and Outstations Supplied	Sermons Preached	Prayer and (Other) Meetings Held	Families or Persons Religiously Visited.	Bibles and Testaments Distributed.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	By Baptism.		Number of Church Members.	Churches Organized.	Church Edifices Erected.	Number of Sunday-Schools.	Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools.	Beneficent Contributions.		
		53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62							By Letter or Experience.	Added to Church									
MAINE.																												
Paul N. Cayer	French, Waterville.	59	104	52	53	8	500	9	109	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
NEW HAMPSHIRE.																												
George G. Brown	French, Nashua	52	108	43	509	41	1344	2	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Victor Sande	Swedish, Concord	52	126	121	346	.....	389	1	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John B. Tilton	Swedish, Manchester	35	2	11	39	136	96	.....	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Axel E. Lundeen	Swedish, Manchester	46	59	45	126	33	948	3	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
VERMONT.																												
Ariel B. Belland	Italians, Barre.....	50	104	56	98	110	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
MASSACHUSETTS.																												
F. T. Hazlewood, D.D.	District Secretary, New England District.	52	35	94	6	.....	3020	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. William Scott	Special Agent.	52	142	112	612	90	7759	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
B. F. Benoit	French, Worcester Association	52	9	124	639	19	2684	4	170	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arthur St. James	French, Worcester Association	52	3	25	129	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
M. J. Coffey	French, Fitch River and vicinity	52	1	15	56	1134	54	6880	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. A. Ferron	French, Lowell	52	132	144	1239	61	17900	3	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gideon Rubin	French, Salem and vicinity	30	92	27	692	31	19501	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John C. Smith	French, Lowell	52	3	36	105	3	2245	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John C. Smith	French, Marlborough and vicinity.	52	197	68	1713	57	2572	10	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Isaac LaFleur	French, New Bedford	52	2	101	82	410	27	18100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Quinn Brown	French, New Bedford	52	1	191	102	110	27	18100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Louis A. Gode	Swedish, Cambridge	52	2	101	328	21000	8	20	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
C. E. Johnston	Swedish, Quincy	52	1	73	27	158	2	5	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John Bark	Swedish, Quincy	26	1	73	27	158	2	5	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
P. A. Englund	Swedish, Norwood	52	2	137	1009	394	950	1	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. O. Lawrence	Swedish, Norwood	52	2	137	1009	394	950	1	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Andrew Kollgren	Swedish, Norwood	52	2	137	1009	394	950	1	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

MISSIONARY TABLE.

[1902.]

NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, &c.	FIELD OF LABOR	WEEKS OF LABOR	CHURCHES AND OUT- STATIONS SUPPLIED.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYER AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BIBLES AND TESTA- MENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	BY BAPTISM.	BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CHURCH EDIFICES ERECTED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OR SCHOOLS ORGANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUN- DAY-SCHOOLS.	BENEVOLENT CONTRI- BUTIONS.
NEW JERSEY																	
George A. Schulte...	Germans, General Superintendent of Missions, U. S. and Canada	34	2	105	45	445	1050	1050	2	1	56	2	2	1	1	48	56
F. G. Weller	Germans, Jamestown	52	2	184	81	351	800	800	3	3	108	1	1	1	1	60	108
Christopher Trige...	Germans, Union	52	2	54	30	100	1000	1000	3	3	108	1	1	1	1	100	108
William Penhagen	Germans, Hoboken	32	1	97	50	285	5	1000	1	1	84	1	1	1	1	100	108
Frederick Knorr	Germans, New York	41	1	40	40	77	2	1000	1	1	84	1	1	1	1	100	108
Guatier Petrich	Germans, Newark	52	1	137	91	978	2050	2050	1	1	306	1	1	1	1	100	108
J. C. Haum...	Germans, Pilgrim Church, Jersey City Heights	5	1	100	4	37	1	1500	1	1	72	1	1	1	1	104	37
Emil Berger...	Germans, Pilgrim Church, Jersey City Heights	30	1	145	45	400	1	1274	8	8	80	1	1	1	1	174	400
J. V. Vidberg	Swedes, Arlington	52	1	148	87	308	14	220	1	1	84	1	1	1	1	174	400
N. G. Nelson	Swedes, Montclair	52	1	160	61	340	1	1	1	1	84	1	1	1	1	174	400
O. J. Peterson	Swedes, Dover	52	1	159	105	134	19	1	1	1	47	1	1	1	1	30	159
Angelo di D'Amico	Italians, Newark and Orange	52	1	210	78	662	1	1	1	1	40	1	1	1	1	308	114
Vincent Lomuto	Italians, Camden	24	1	187	10	187	10	375	1	1	45	1	1	1	1	31	187
da Hara	Hollanders, Paterson	18	1	71	34	174	1	1	1	1	45	1	1	1	1	60	174

PENNSYLVANIA.															
Ethan B. Palmer, D.D.,	District Secretary, Philadelphia	52	1	187	71	348	17	1860	5	3	70	1	187	348	66
G. A. Sheets,	District, Second Ch., Pittsburgh.	52	2	160	114	863	16	26000	1	67	4	2	203	379	16
C. F. Tietmann	Germans, Allegheny														
J. G. Baum,	Germans, Wilburne and Williams-														
	port														
J. F. Niebuhr	Germans, Altoona	52	2	120	37	240	10	1205	30	2	51	1	77	133	95
C. A. Grubb	Germans, Jeanette	0	2	38	18	135	10	200	2	9	50	1	215	27	68
J. P. Westerberg	Germans, Western New York, Penn-	39	1	147	77	124	6	8500	3	3	27	1	66	233	68
	sylvania and Eastern Ohio														
Petrus Elmholtz	Swedes, Erie	52	4	100	142	428	10	161	2	33	1	1	28	315	100
Sven Svenson	Swedes, Philadelphia	52	3	130	105	273	38	725	2	9	43	1	47	443	60
A. A. Hammar	Swedes, McKeesport	52	1	185	83	235	1	103	2	103	1	1	177	246	14
Herman Litorin	Swedes, Abita	11	4	33	43	86	1	1	1	1	1	1	67	259	87
August Westerberg	Swedes, Anita	26	3	324	36	200	4	1	1	1	1	1	61	79	67
John Manter	Swedes, Warren	52	4	102	122	200	1	9	20	74	1	1	86	200	76
L. J. Dahlstrom	Swedes, Kane	26	7	134	32	70	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	10	60
John Wallace,	Foreigners, Wyoming Valley	39	1	149	507	21	20980	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
DELAWARE															
Henry C. Jones	Colored, Eighth St. Ch., Wilmington	22	1	156	48	595	1	76	15	4	112	1	105	139	33
H. I. Marshall	Colored, Calvary Church, Dover.	39	2	118	30	121	10	1200	14	4	33	1	76	22	35
N. E. Johnson	Swedes, First Ch., Wilmington	9	1	25	10	186	4	1	2	1	1	1	27	48	30
O. C. Widén	Swedes, First Ch., Wilmington	39	1	144	50	186	5	918	1	5	69	1	58	189	21
VIRGINIA.															
D. N. Vassar,	Colored, Gen. Missionary and														
	Professor V. U. U. Richmond														
P. S. Lewis	Colored, Dist. Missionary, North.	13	1	29	14	75	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
William Cousins	Colored, Dist. Missionary, East	33	47	34	159	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
R. G. Adams	Colored, Dist. Missionary, West	32	105	72	440	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
F. P. Saunders	Colored, Dist. Missionary, West	21	72	16	530	100	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
M. MacVicar	Colored, Dist. Missionary, West	13	19	14	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
President	Va. Union University, Richmond.														
George Rice	Va. Union University, Richmond.	52	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Vice President	Va. Union University, Richmond														
G. M. P. King	Va. Union University, Richmond	52	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
G. F. Ganung	Va. Union University, Richmond	52	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
E. Jones	Va. Union University, Richmond	48	14	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
G. Lewis	Va. Union University, Richmond	48	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
D. N. Vassar	Va. Union University, Richmond	48	21	1	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Teachers.

* Teachers.

Amos Robinson.....	Elkins.....	2	174	118	1047	11	820	.....	3	62	.....	1	.....	72	103 71
A. S. Kelley.....	Glenville and vicinity.....	6	260	54	1300	225	1000	22	6	270	.....	3	.....	214	275 70
W. H. Savage.....	Weston.....	2	52	19	213	122	450	1	.....	48	.....	1	.....	39	40 09
J. L. McCutcheon.....	Morgantown.....	1	104	52	320	.....	.....	5	38	235	.....	1	.....	185	237 33
Arthur Hank.....	Kenova.....	1	38	32	135	.....	.....	1	.....	11	.....	1	.....	45	10 36
D. A. Ramey.....	Norwood and Keystone.....	6	124	41	533	110	.....	23	16	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	85 00
C. E. Griffin.....	Virginia Ave. Ch., Charleston.....	1	122	51	375	1	.....	22	12	128	.....	1	.....	176	124 03
W. C. D. Bond.....	Beth. Eden Ch., Moundville.....	4	169	92	341	.....	.....	1	8	64	.....	1	.....	94	92 58
M. A. Kelley.....	Hambleton and Parsons.....	8	63	8	291	61	770	.....	2	27	.....	1	.....	58	14 17
George Humphreys.....	Lazearville.....	2	54	26	142	3	.....	.....	7	30	.....	1	.....	46	32 19
A. B. Withers.....	Gypsy.....	4	107	34	241	34	250	5	23	179	.....	1	.....	44	56 00
Ernest Hemming.....	Hambleton and Parsons.....	5	43	6	190	.....	3400	.....	7	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
KENTUCKY.															
P. H. Kennedy.....	Colored, General Missionary.....	52	118	233	340	20	25191	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. B. Butler.....	Colored, District Missionary.....	52	134	44	273	.....	72740	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*C. L. Purce, D.D., Pres.....	State University, Louisville.....	52	48	26	65	25	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*R. D. Saulsbury.....	State University, Louisville.....	30	.....	2	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Lucy B. Pickett.....	State University, Louisville.....	30	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Mrs. E. M. C. Inge.....	State University, Louisville.....	39	.....	6	49	.....	700	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Mrs. M. E. Steward.....	State University, Louisville.....	39	.....	.....	14	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*R. T. Frye.....	State University, Louisville.....	39	16	.....	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Miss L. M. Seeley.....	State University, Louisville.....	9	.....	.....	3	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TENNESSEE.															
T. J. Searcy.....	Colored, Financial Sec'y of Education.....	52	75	34	19	.....	16000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*P. B. Guernsey, Pres.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	52	20	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Alfred Owen, D.D.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Lenora Hufman.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Dixie E. Williams.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*May Hu ton.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Mrs. H. H. Smith.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Hezekiah Walden.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	11	45	48	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Mrs. A. F. Griffith.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	9	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*William Harris.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Cora E. B. Jones.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Emily F. Ane.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Cora L. Kott.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Herbert H. Smith.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	6	8	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Margaret A. Guernsey.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	35	.....	5	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Lulu Calvert.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	26	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Emma L. Frase.....	Roger Williams Univ., Nashville.....	26	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

* Teachers.

NAMES OF MISSIONARY AND TEACHERS, &c.	FIELDS OF LABOR	WEEKS OF LABOR.		CHURCHES AND OUT- STATIONS SUPPLIED.		SERMONS PREACHED.		PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.		FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.		PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.		BY BAPTISM.		BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.		NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.		CHURCHES ORGANIZED.		CHURCH EDITIONS ERECTED		NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS OR GANIZED.		ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.		RENEWALIST CONTRI- BUTIONS.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																														
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FLORIDA									
*W. W. Collier, Pres.	Fla. Bapt Academy, Jacksonville.	35	...	30	...	40	...	400	...
*Miss S. A. Blocker	Fla. Bapt Academy, Jacksonville.	35	...	47
*G. F. McKinney, Trb.	Florida Institute.	35	...	65	...	987	...	753	...
*L. C. Jones	Florida Institute.	35	...	84	...	...	...	...	...
*S. Frances Wingfield	Florida Institute	35	...	24	...	45	...	...	...
ALABAMA									
*U. G. Rother, D.D., Act- ing Pres.	Alabama Bapt Col. Univ., Selma.	36	...	5	...	...	...	...	...
*C. S. Dinkins, D.D.	Alabama Bapt Col. Univ., Selma.	9	...	10	...	30	...	...	...
*J. H. Wigington	Alabama Bapt Col. Univ., Selma.	35	...	1	...	4	...	...	...
*E. W. Knight	Alabama Bapt Col. Univ., Selma.	35	...	...	...	27	...	...	...
*Ruth Haldrum	Alabama Bapt Col. Univ., Selma.	35	...	...	...	28	...	500	...
MISSISSIPPI									
*L. G. Barrett, Pres.	Jackson College.	52	...	7	...	...	...	1900	...
*Ella M. Barrett	Jackson College.	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
*Frances Everett	Jackson College.	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
*Harvey L. Brown	Jackson College.	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
*Mar. E. McIntosh	Jackson College.	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
*Melissa A. Brown	Jackson College.	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
*H. D. Casey	Jackson College.	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
*Clara B. J. pley	Jackson College.	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
*L. B. Capshart	Jackson College.	35	...	4	...	...	...	...	...
*Mrs. L. B. Capshart	Jackson College.	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
*Mrs. H. D. Casey	Jackson College.	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
*S. D. Wounds	Jackson College.	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
LOUISIANA									
*O. L. Coleman, Prin.	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.	35	...	...	...	71	...	...	...
*E. B. Morgan	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.	9	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
*J. D. Stewart	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.	26	...	6	...	20	...	...	...
*Mrs. M. A. Coleman	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.	35	...	...	...	23	...	...	...
*Miss L. A. Bryant	Coleman Academy, Gibsland.	35	...	...	...	33	...	...	...
ARKANSAS									
*J. H. Hoke	General Missionary	36	...	126	...	52	...	3500	...
*Jos. A. Booker, D.D., Pres.	Arkansas Bapt Col., Little Rock.	52	...	...	...	...	...	500	...
*J. E. Knox	Arkansas Bapt Col., Little Rock.	9	...	5	...	...	...	1500	...
*A. R. Reeves	Arkansas Bapt Col., Little Rock.	26	...	...	...	25	...	...	...
*Lillie L. Gibbs	Arkansas Bapt Col., Little Rock.	35	60
*Grace J. Thompson	Arkansas Bapt Col., Little Rock.	35	...	7	...	90

• Teachers

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		WEEKS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OUT- STATIONS SUPPLIED.	SEASONS PREACHED.	PRAYER AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BIBLES AND TESTA- MENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	BY BAPTISM. ADDED TO CHURCH EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CHURCH BUILDINGS ERECTED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OR- GANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUN- DAY SCHOOLS.	BENEVOLENT CONTRI- BUTIONS.											
TEXAS.																											
A. R. Griggs	Educational Missionary, Colored	22	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Arthur H. Chaffee, Pres.	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Albert Loughridge	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
E. K. Chandler	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fessie Davidson	Bishop College, Marshall	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hannah Pearson	Bishop College, Marshall	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. F. K. Chandler	Bishop College, Marshall	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. D. F. Harvey	Bishop College, Marshall	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
A. C. Rice	Bishop College, Marshall	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Frank H. Chester	Bishop College, Marshall	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hattie J. Finney	Bishop College, Marshall	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. A. Loughridge	Bishop College, Marshall	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Angela Dodge	Bishop College, Marshall	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Emma J. Allison	Bishop College, Marshall	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
John Holbert	Bishop College, Marshall	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
O. A. Fuller	Bishop College, Marshall	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Charlotte E. Chester	Bishop College, Marshall	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Julio E. Fowler	Bishop College, Marshall	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
David H. Zink	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Josephine D. Creasy	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H. Grace Adams	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H. Pearl Holbrook	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ada L. Newell	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ora E. Newell	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Portia P. Johnson	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Angus C. Davis	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Harold P. Chaffee	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Grace B. Garrison	Bishop College, Marshall	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
D. A. Scott, Prin.	Houston Academy	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mary M. Kimble	Houston Academy	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Edith Ayers	Houston Academy	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Julia O. Greene	Houston Academy	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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Valentine Forkel	4	14	2	40	72															
Valentine Forkel	52	171	50	565	4	1100	12	3						88	70 00					
O. R. Schaefer	48	9	60	194	8	879	2	13						240						
C. A. Homan	59	3	2	732	5	2620	2	9	43					89						
Jacob Pfeiffer	52	137	86	458	22	500	14	6	106	1				135	118 00					
Jacob Fellman	52	1	135	1245	8	4938	12	21	200					188	397 43					
Albert Linder	52	166	81	650	13	260		4	33					60	166 00					
Henry Seelhorn	59	101	67	218		1500	1	2	47					50	85 76					
R. A. Artzler	52	59	52	385		2688	1													
Ernest Hallgren	52	227	71	377	25	475	6	7	125					100	384 23					
O. E. Nelson	4	31	9	40										56	6 60					
C. W. Farwell	72	2	74	320	2	1350	8	9	92					78	201 00					
L. J. Olson	52	184	115	302		2675	1	5	213					218	462 03					
Axel West	52	6	208	104		300								107	85 00					
V. O. Hennell	46	2	76	173			0	3	94					176	131 50					
Valley Krahlek	52	2	124	87	12	1000	12	3	143	3				500	400 00					
T. V. Jakmowicz	52	105	63	624	16	7660	4	2	153	3				500	400 00					
Chow Jensen	52	55	62	638	6	484	8	2	62					60	15 00					
John H. Green	19	2	101	130			5	24	130					140	118 00					
R. E. Manning	52	72	56	6																
John W. Craig	52	292	97	287	1	2000	13	3	60					95	107 75					
T. L. Smith	43	92	31	287	1	31	7	0	94					195	195 31					
Charles W. Berts	52	80	41	493	1	1318	4	1	1					176	75 51					
Thomas W. Dulles	52	130	54	629	21	400	1	2	16					69	12 70					
John J. Lucas	23	66	28	273		260			19					34						

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Theodore Hansen	26	Swedes, Antigo	83	26	194	10	185	4	301	122	101
Al. C. Jensen	52	Danes, Eureka	174	79	379	10	185	1	20	122	101
Conrad Knudson	13	Swedes, Columbia	20	12	70	10	185	3	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
Ellis Knudson	26	Norwegians, Halfway Creek	112	12	170	3	100	.....	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
Lewis Knudson	26	Norwegians, Halfway Creek	112	12	170	3	100	.....	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
T. O. Wold	26	Scandinavians, Woodville and Hudsonville	120	12	215	10	185	.....	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
N. A. Larson	26	Norwegians, Bluff	102	46	449	1	6000	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
P. E. Swenson	13	Swedes, Wood Lake	278	103	473	12	100	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
J. A. Rios	52	Swedes, Lake Neogam	71	11	70	10	185	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
A. L. Rios	52	Swedes, Lake Neogam	71	11	70	10	185	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
Emil Hilde	52	Swedes, Lake Neogam	71	11	70	10	185	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
C. E. Goergens	13	Swedes, Lake Neogam	71	11	70	10	185	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
A. J. Hoag	52	Swedes, Lake Neogam	71	11	70	10	185	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
MINNESOTA															
O. A. Williams, D.D.	52	Supt. of Missions, Upper Mississippi District, Minn., N. Dak., S. Dak.	73	42	370	10	185	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
R. R. Pope	52	General Missionary, South East	73	42	370	10	185	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
C. T. Howell	52	District Missionary, South West	73	42	370	10	185	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
M. A. Sumner	52	District Missionary, South West	73	42	370	10	185	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
L. H. Wrenn	52	District Missionary, South West	73	42	370	10	185	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
W. H. McKenney	52	City Missionary, St. Paul	140	60	724	70	2100	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
G. H. Gamble	52	City Missionary, St. Paul	140	60	724	70	2100	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
W. H. Miller	52	City Missionary, St. Paul	140	60	724	70	2100	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
A. H. C. Linn	52	City Missionary, St. Paul	140	60	724	70	2100	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
A. C. Peck	52	City Missionary, St. Paul	140	60	724	70	2100	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
John Ouer	52	City Missionary, St. Paul	140	60	724	70	2100	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
A. H. Lloyd	52	City Missionary, St. Paul	140	60	724	70	2100	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101
A. J. Hoag	52	City Missionary, St. Paul	140	60	724	70	2100	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	101

Charles Firth.	Fraser.	32	3	65	220	24	47	91	86
N. P. Cross.	Kanyon.	13	3	85	41	...	...	...	...
W. K. Sherwin.	Kenyon.	30	3	56	325	...	67	156	4
M. E. Bailey.	Man di.	26	3	30	306	71	306	326	107
L. E. Vieta.	St. James.	52	2	33	325	1	35	326	26
G. W. Stone.	Waieka.	16	2	34	325	1	35	326	65
W. H. Travis.	Philadelphia (Ch, St. Paul).	13	2	30	325	1	35	326	26
I. C. Curry.	Verburne.	13	2	30	325	1	35	326	26
W. E. Ringer.	Sauk Center.	13	2	30	325	1	35	326	26
W. G. Hoover.	Lake Benton.	26	3	63	147	7	94	326	33
Frederick Pamborg.	Sweden, Western Minnesota.	19	...	30	325	1	35	326	26
A. J. Dahlstrom.	Sweden, North-East.	52	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
Guise Nigron.	Sweden, North-East.	22	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
Kaite Nelson.	Sweden, North-East.	52	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
Marcus Hansen.	Danes, District Missionary.	52	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
C. A. Alden.	Sweden, District Missionary.	52	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
C. G. Johnson.	Sweden, District Missionary.	52	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
Frederick Linden.	Sweden, District Missionary.	52	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
E. S. Lindblad.	Sweden, District Missionary.	52	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
Herman Bergin III.	Sweden, District Missionary.	52	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
Olaf Jafon.	Sweden, District Missionary.	52	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
E. G. Olson.	Sweden, District Missionary.	52	...	320	633	2	...	...	18
E. G. Christensen.	Danes, Alton.	30	3	160	40	...	...	...	210
Hans Homerson.	Danes, Alton.	30	3	160	40	...	...	...	210
C. P. Lindberg.	Sweden, Mankato.	13	4	43	15	...	...	...	86
Peter Lovene.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
Harold Nielson.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
C. G. Niles.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
A. H. Thernlund.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
I. P. Nielsen.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
F. A. Peterson.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
E. C. Groggaard.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
I. O. Groggaard.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
Peter Swanson.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
August Nordin.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
Peter Haldrup.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	...	...	...	33
C. C. Longfellow.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	33
Christian Buchholz.	Sweden, Mankato.	26	3	91	31	33

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		By Baptism	By Letter or Experience.															
IOWA.																		
Hermann Kaaz	German, First Church, St. Paul.	52	2	184	53	379	4	800	3	13	100							197
August Tranchell	German, Hutchinson.	39	2	86	37	184		324		7	64							68
Jacob Herman	German, Winona.	39	2	86	47	402		530		4	38							108
Triston Luken	Rainy River District.	17		19		30												170
C. P. Brocken	Worthington.	26	2	67	52	235		68		4	102							88
MISSOURI.																		
D. D. Proper	District Secretary, Central District, Ia., Neb., Kans., Colo., and Ind. and Okla. Territories.	52		68	17													
Henry D. Homan	German, George.	52		127	35	281												
Jacob Jordan	German, District Missionary.	52		121	43	742	41	925										
Carl Swyer	German, Buffalo Center.	52	4	215	46	294	91	2150	81	4	54							
INDIAN TERRITORY.																		
E. D. Green	Colored, General Missionary.	52		156	99	666	16	98										
John Goins	Colored, Second Ch., Jefferson City.	39	2	87	108	497			11	5	155							
W. H. Mueller	German, Alma.	32	2	125	30	445				2	56							
E. J. Griner	German, St. Louis.	13	2	35	27	154		4744			177							
E. I. S. Fugge, Pres.	Western College, Macon.	52		18														
R. H. Borden	Western College, Macon.	35																
Maudie F. Lewis	Western College, Macon.	35		3				7										
H. A. Beech	Western College, Macon.	27		91	44	20												
INDIAN TERRITORY.																		
Coner Stubbfield	District Missionary, North.	13		68	17	34				15								
J. N. Edwards	District Missionary, North.	30		122	12	302												
A. G. Washburn	District Missionary, South.	52		126	14	209												
J. S. Morrow	Indiana, General Missionary.	52		99	141	525	17	2148										
F. J. Gordon	Colored, District Missionary.	26		46	65	45	20											

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I. H. York.	McAlester	46	115	33	434	454	100	1	4	41	5	75	11	90	11	11
W. H. Koyenow.	McAlester	46	102	47	211	211	1697	9	65	85	5	90	11	90	11	11
J. B. Acorn	Traverse City, Ch., Cherokee Nation.	47	124	31	8	8	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
T. H. Lark.	Natural Arch, Cherokee Nation	47	136	44	135	135	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
J. W. Miller	Mountain Home	46	5	70	75	75	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
J. W. Miller	Hoyt	46	48	21	50	50	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
J. M. Cowan	Caremore	46	115	46	37	37	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
S. P. Whipple	Cherokee and Chelisee	46	101	31	255	255	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
L. F. Patterson	Cherokee, Prairie and Victoria	46	136	46	45	45	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
L. F. Patterson	Shady Point	46	91	32	16	16	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
W. B. Toney	Hartsborne	13	46	20	80	80	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
C. S. Leonard	Hartsborne	26	71	18	90	90	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
C. I. Alexander	Euclid and Chelisee	26	80	36	343	343	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
J. M. Cuffman	Cartersville	23	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
J. L. Alexander.	Oak Grove	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
Newton Johnson	Iron Bridge	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
L. T. Hale.	High Hill, No. 2.	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
L. H. Turner	Leader Creek	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
G. R. Naylor	Red Oak	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
W. R. McNeely	Wagoner	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
E. J. Matthews	Rock Springs	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
R. L. Thornton	Mr. Pleasant Church, Elmer	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
R. L. Thornton	Hue	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
W. H. George	Lebanon	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
W. M. Colwell.	Sagehar Springs	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
W. M. Colwell.	Sagehar Springs	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
R. H. Burden	Sagehar Springs	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
R. H. Burden	Canadian	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
R. H. Burden	Canadian	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
S. B. Redwine	Allen	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
J. A. O'Le	Sagehar Springs	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
G. W. Tubbs.	Friendship Church, Eastman	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11
J. A. Peters	Hanson	13	25	25	57	57	800	4	14	64	1	75	11	90	11	11

† No report received

NAMES OF MISSION- ARIES, TEACHERS, &c	FIELDS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OUT- STATIONS, SERMONS PREACHED, PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.										BY BAPTISM. BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.			LCHURCH MEMBERS BAPTIZED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OR- GANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.	REVOLVING CONTRI- BUTIONS.
		WEEKS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OUT- STATIONS, SERMONS PREACHED,	PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BIBLES AND TESTA- MENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	LCHURCH MEMBERS BAPTIZED.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OR- GANIZED.			ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.							
Robert Breckearidge	Colored, Pilgrim Rest Ch., King- fisher.....	26	2	64	10	27	323	300	1	1	1	76	1	1	76	28 46					
William Hill	Colored, Great Hope.....	26	4	74	10	48	360	300	5	5	5	149	1	1	149	30 30					
J. W. Jones	Colored, St. Paul Ch., (hortaw Stanley Ward.....	26	5	77	44	40	53	10	15	15	71	83	1	1	83	31 30					
C. W. Morrison	Colored, Rising Sun Ch., Blair. Wakarusa and vicinity.....	26	3	75	46	35	91	10	29	29	75	83	1	1	83	31 30					
C. W. Morrison	Central Association.....	30	5	137	49	35	335	10	5	5	101	109	4	4	109	38 59					
J. D. Matthews	Perry.....	13	7	46	214	214	501	101	7	7	7	109	4	4	109	38 59					
R. T. Mansfield	Guthrie.....	30	7	112	40	615	2750	25	195	195	100	100	1	1	100	46 03					
J. J. Farmer	Tecumseh.....	30	3	93	45	700	700	2	4	4	86	146	1	1	146	46 03					
J. A. Scott	Tecumseh.....	13	1	26	23	210	210	1	5	5	210	146	1	1	146	46 03					
J. A. Scott	Washington Ave. Ch., Oklahoma (City).....	34	6	180	60	375	10	435	19	19	96	33	3	3	33	60 33					
Scott Anderson	E. Reno.....	13	2	39	24	323	9	2	41	41	21	33	3	3	33	46 03					
H. S. Ours	Pond Creek.....	56	1	118	69	260	30	33	13	13	41	108	8	8	108	16 00					
R. J. Morgan	Mangan.....	30	3	77	23	53	10	2	35	35	22	72	2	2	72	16 45					
F. F. Butler	Stillwater.....	30	4	181	30	91	10	29	62	62	59	89	1	1	89	61 00					
Homer Piper	Gass Mountain Association.....	26	4	93	01	315	10	5	101	101	1	101	1	1	101	83 00					
H. Jones	Gass Mountain Association.....	26	4	93	01	315	10	5	101	101	1	101	1	1	101	83 00					
J. P. Cook	Gass Mountain Association.....	26	4	93	01	315	10	5	101	101	1	101	1	1	101	83 00					
J. M. Satter	Gass Mountain Association.....	26	4	93	01	315	10	5	101	101	1	101	1	1	101	83 00					
J. W. Pinon	Gravine and vicinity.....	26	4	102	55	501	10	12	5	5	8	8	1	1	8	7 95					
W. A. Mansfield	Lincoln Association.....	30	6	144	69	322	10	34	701	701	3	701	24	24	665	7 95					
J. N. Hoover	Lincoln County Association.....	30	6	144	69	322	10	34	701	701	3	701	24	24	665	7 95					
C. L. Hale	Hennepaw.....	52	2	228	118	950	18	18	15	15	106	135	7	7	135	345 64					
W. H. Driver	Blackwell.....	30	4	90	47	443	24	500	78	78	330	397	2	2	397	97 09					
M. M. Mungler	Pawnee Association.....	52	4	150	114	300	16	16	12	12	121	171	3	3	171	97 09					
A. E. Lewis	Edmond.....	52	4	150	114	300	16	16	12	12	121	171	3	3	171	97 09					
A. P. Stone	Shawnee.....	24	1	67	24	462	1	15	141	141	1	108	1	1	108	108 51					
W. J. McCallum	Shawnee.....	13	1	33	22	131	24	48	4	4	141	108	1	1	108	108 51					
C. R. Roberts	Mills County Association.....	30	8	187	19	1000	41	34	13	13	158	135	7	7	135	48 08					
C. R. Leach	Mills County Association.....	13	1	47	17	200	41	34	13	13	158	135	7	7	135	48 08					
M. D. Reesce	Ponca City.....	52	1	149	77	149	77	11	71	71	4	453	2	2	453	13 55					

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NAMES OF MISSIONARIES, TEACHERS, ETC.	FIELDS OF LABOR.										REVENUE IN CONTRIBUTIONS.									
	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Outstations Supplied.	Sermons Preached.	Prayer and Other Meetings Held.	Families or Persons Religiously Visited.	Bibles and Testaments Distributed.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	By Baptism.	By Letter or Experience.	Number of Church Members.	Churches Organized.	Church Officers.	Number of Sunday-Schools.	Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools.					
W. H. Eaton	53	2	128	43	249	8	...	3	101	194	...	...	...	...	...
W. F. Hamner	52	4	143	35	26	...	...	4	2	90	...	...	...	...	...
G. R. Hulse	43	3	31	10	20	...	...	2	6	60	...	...	...	...	...
A. W. Hulse	43	3	71	8	126	3	100	3	...	50	...	...	...	...	...
J. L. Taylor	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. L. Barber	13	2	44	26	93	...	100	3	...	41	...	...	...	...	...
T. J. Cook	13	2	44	26	93	...	100	3	...	41	...	...	...	...	...
L. Lyons	43	7	45	26	40	...	150	3	...	91	...	...	...	...	...
W. E. Tanner	26	4	84	88	109	...	...	0	...	140	...	...	...	...	...
H. J. Hissard	26	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. S. Riley	26	3	40	22	98	...	...	1	...	64	...	...	...	...	...
NEBRASKA.																				
N. B. Rariden, D. D., Superintendent of Missions, Trans-Mississippi Division—Missouri, Neb., Kan., Okla., Tex., Ind., Ter., Colo., N. Mex., Wyo., Utah and Arizona	52	...	39	90	212	...	1735	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
C. W. Brinsford	52	...	14	100	791	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
J. L. Rozelle	4	...	20	...	36	...	350	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
J. P. Corman	20	...	29	28	245	...	188	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
M. L. Coff	50	...	245	13	406	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
A. O. Anquid	26	...	141	15	306	...	980	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carl Hasselblad	43	...	71	22	901	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Julius Jensen	35	...	138	17	277	...	735	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Andrew Jacobson	52	4	108	91	285	...	...	24	...	56	...	...	...	...	...
J. S. Leiber	52	1	125	90	270	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
C. J. Christensen	17	4	54	16	121	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. A. Kerkhbach	26	4	70	31	145	...	740	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Christian Peterson	52	2	153	58	244	...	...	24	...	98	...	...	...	...	...
August Joelner	56	2	124	34	991	...	1600					
W. C. Kane	8	2	24	41	100	...	100					
J. W. Jeffries	40	4	78	21	111	...	6					

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A. T. Norwood.	Edgar.	56				54	36	180		3	84	105 85
E. M. Jeffers.	Chadron.	86				72		675		4	129	140 99
E. L. White.	McCook.	52	4	138	71	83	59	1000		164	249	201 92
J. W. Graves.	Gibbon.	39	2	124	68	515	6	2400		5	77	176 88 25
J. W. Theobald.	Tecumseh.	13	4	8	27	100	1	100		5	163	137 64 25
Amos Weaver.	Craigton.	4	2	8	7	25				7	61	109 25 52
James Leavelle.	Tobias.	43	2	34	18	110	80			1	85	170 193 21
J. L. Hedbrook.	Stromsburg.	52	2	110	77	511	395			1	77	70 193 21
H. W. Davis.	Innmanuel Church, Omaha.	26	3	52	38	305	500			5	163	182 61 50
C. C. Hutchins.	Heacon.	26	3	78	26	337				7	85	81 31 16
D. Puls.	North Platte.	26	3	55	43	180				3	53	53 23 15
J. R. Woods.	Anselmy.	26	3	85	28	160	261			3	29	295 275 00
F. Fellman.	Grace Church, Omaha.	52	2	107	105	751	10	8000		13	120	113 68 42
E. M. Owens.	Valparaiso.	26	3	72	26	149	10			1	37	129 30 37
I. J. Schuler.	Vaporalso.	26	3	69	29	229	20	200		2	10	127 150 50
L. H. Clay.	Hartington.	52	2	166	75	450	200	21		30	831	129 30 37
H. E. Ryder.	Norfolk.	26	2	96	33	300				16	149	115 43 61
A. H. Shattuck.	Carso.	26	3	60	24	60		300		3	85	115 43 61
G. C. Jeffers.	Alliance.	13	3	131	61	409	23	1378		67	325	140 274 85
John Taylor.	Wymore.	43	2	5	37					3	85	84 24 86
E. E. Conner.	Dorchester.	47	2	105	48	358		1763		3	6	70 84 28
W. F. Winfrey.	Pileger and vicinity.	27	5	81		200				0	35	78 0 36
Oliver Church, Omaha.	Glives Church, Omaha.	54	2	118	57	752	9			1	109	85 24 17
J. F. Jenkins.	Arnold and Gandy.	26	2	60	35	83	1	24		15	73	109 120 62
W. O. Reuch.	Columbus.	35	2	29	55	265				1	25	54 13 00
W. O. Sorall.	Farnam.	13	2	27	13	64				3	46	28 15 00
S. B. Stephens.	Somerset.	13	2	31	13	100				5	2	28 15 00
S. W. Richards.	Merna.	26	3	48	19	300				2	90	36 15 00
Avenue Fairport.	Callerton and vicinity.	13	3	31	7	300				2	80	36 15 00
A. A. K. Mayntway.	Falls City.	20	2	65	22	170	26	9500		3	60	98 49 44
SOUTH DAKOTA.												
T. M. Shanaleit.	General Missionary.	52		79	46		265	3950				581 50 00
Andrew Swartz.	Scandinavian.	26		79	47	198		200				55 50 00
C. H. Poling.	Danes and Norway's, Dist Mes'ry.	13		84	18	242	3	874				32 82 65
C. H. Bolvig.	Danes, Spring Valley.	39	2	114	32	242	10	1115		5	37	46 378 60
James Larsen.	Danes, Spring Valley.	9	1	24	5	68		200		3	27	1161 98 46
Nis Tycksen.	Sc'n Inawiana, Turkey Valley.	26	2	70	36	100				3	40	38 15 00
H. M. Anderson.	Norwegians, Herion.	26	2	87	39	125		100		1	74	74 399 58
H. S. Wood.	Norwegians, Bryant.	52	2	110	42	164				1	38	15 00
Olof Lind.	Norwegians, Lily.	17	2	55	21	221				1	65	
E. J. Nordlander.	Swedes, Sioux Falls.	48	3	194	109	299		250		4	8	

Cornelius Malley.....	Huron.....	39.....	75	79	175.....	146.....	1406.....	3	86.....	120.....	191 30
W. E. Coulter.....	Keystone.....	13 3	58	23	148.....	140.....	1406.....	1	83.....	120.....	191 30
Mary Gunderson.....	Rapid City.....	26 1	38	23	148.....	140.....	1406.....	1	83.....	120.....	191 30
J. H. Parker.....	Goodwin.....	26 1	40	24	148.....	140.....	1406.....	1	83.....	120.....	191 30
J. W. Saunders.....	De Smet.....	26 1	58	26	148.....	140.....	1406.....	1	83.....	120.....	191 30
J. W. Sabers.....	Spencer.....	12 1	18	12	148.....	140.....	1406.....	1	83.....	120.....	191 30
J. W. Havens.....	Wagner.....	28 1	78	41	148.....	140.....	1406.....	1	83.....	120.....	191 30
J. R. Schroeder.....	Lead.....	13 1	37	9	148.....	140.....	1406.....	1	83.....	120.....	191 30
W. W. Swift.....	W. M. Hoare.....	30 1	59	40	148.....	140.....	1406.....	1	83.....	120.....	191 30
W. M. Coffey.....	Hot Springs and Buffalo Gap.....	26 1	53	19	148.....	140.....	1406.....	1	83.....	120.....	191 30
J. M. Lloyd.....	Spawick.....	31 2	79	47	148.....	140.....	1406.....	1	83.....	120.....	191 30
NORTH DAKOTA											
T. M. Shanafelt.....	General Missionary.....	52.....	40	34	474.....	3	2960.....	3	87.....	120.....	191 30
Ole Larson.....	Scandinavians, General Missionary.....	52.....	40	34	474.....	3	2960.....	3	87.....	120.....	191 30
A. J. Swelander.....	Swedes, Mandan, Slaughter, Ble smock and Coal Harbor.....	13.....	42	13	45.....	1	1	1	94.....	75.....	113 11
A. J. Swelander.....	Swedes, Mandan.....	13.....	42	13	45.....	1	1	1	94.....	75.....	113 11
P. N. Nystrom.....	Swedes, Bismarck.....	39 3	130	44	327.....	4	960.....	5	3	27.....	45 70
Anton Nelson.....	Swedes, Wilton and Coal Harbor.....	26 3	86	48	128.....	50	1	6	45.....	19.....	41 97
E. P. Johnson.....	Scandinavians, Bemis, Mon and Vang.....	23 3	43	28	76.....	1	1	1	93.....	100.....	15 100
C. J. Hill.....	Am and Norwa, Poplar Grove and Vang.....	39 2	154	61	340.....	3	600.....	13	3	75.....	113 11
Lewis Rasmussen.....	Scandinavians, Valley City.....	26 4	79	30	212.....	4	1	1	97.....	14.....	16 10
E. S. Sundt.....	Scandinavians, Valley City.....	26 4	69	34	207.....	2	190.....	1	1	39.....	16 10
J. A. H. Johnson.....	Scandinavians, Grand Forks.....	30 2	108	34	435.....	3	270.....	4	1	37.....	16 10
Elias Knudsen.....	Scandinavians, Grand Forks.....	21.....	86	26	184.....	1	1	2	36.....	34.....	1 78
Servin Kenholdt.....	Norwegians, Hillsboro.....	26 1	66	26	161.....	25	2	5	17.....	21.....	4 75
Servin Kenholdt.....	Norwegians, Edinburg.....	26 5	107	20	233.....	50	4	2	66.....	11.....	17 30
F. J. Liljgren.....	Swedes, Fargo.....	47 2	130	67	263.....	1	1	5	66.....	50.....	17 30
Hans Blomgren.....	Swedes, Rutland and Kulm.....	39 4	76	88	235.....	3	3	3	71.....	85.....	16 10
L. E. Larsen.....	Scandinavians, Kenmare.....	27 5	43	11	200.....	2	890.....	1	1	11.....	16 10
Alex. Nielsen.....	Russians, near Liberty.....	42 5	72	21	40.....	1	125.....	1	79.....	46.....	16 10
Emil Muller.....	Scandinavians, Kenmare.....	13.....	27	20	45.....	1	1	3	115.....	115.....	16 10
Emil Muller.....	Scandinavians, Kenmare.....	13.....	27	20	45.....	1	1	3	115.....	115.....	16 10
August Heruger.....	Scandinavians, Kenmare.....	39 3	105	38	155.....	6	1	1	81.....	35.....	16 10
Robert Penske.....	Scandinavians, Kenmare.....	39 4	81	43	143.....	8	96	1	93.....	120.....	16 10
August Henniger.....	Scandinavians, Kenmare.....	13 3	35	20	70.....	1	1	24	165.....	139.....	4 94
John Rebert.....	Scandinavians, Kenmare.....	13 3	27	1	42.....	1	32	1	1	1	1
Edward Wolf.....	Scandinavians, Kenmare.....	52.....	244	66	327.....	10	200.....	15	14	143.....	16 10
J. F. Hunter.....	Scandinavians, Kenmare.....	52.....	244	66	327.....	10	200.....	15	14	143.....	16 10
J. F. Hunter.....	Scandinavians, Kenmare.....	52.....	244	66	327.....	10	200.....	15	14	143.....	16 10

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		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10																
Alex Douglas.....	Aneta.....	52	3	96	45	326	9	200	2	26	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
S. T. Foster.....	St Thomas.....	44	2	110	85	238	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
Samuel Van Tassel.....	Shelby and New Rockford.....	39	5	112	42	345	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
T. H. Robertson.....	Langdon.....	59	5	279	107	310	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
H. M. Shouse.....	Cooperstown.....	30	2	55	26	185	3	150	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
A. F. Newcomb.....	Granton.....	52	2	125	51	214	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
J. R. Hall.....	Elendale.....	26	1	42	32	113	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
A. H. Carman.....	Elendale.....	26	2	50	31	231	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
E. M. Atwood.....	LaValier and Bathgate.....	35	2	68	55	146	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Peter Mitchell.....	Bathgate.....	52	2	108	84	187	2	200	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Samuel Hatchelor.....	Laboon.....	52	2	126	108	312	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
A. W. Gasley.....	Prattford and Hamilton.....	31	2	64	49	203	2	36	2	48	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
W. W. Gunter.....	Minot.....	31	1	49	31	100	24	2000	2	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
J. E. Abramson.....	Railfou.....	24	1	51	23	85	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
G. R. Davies.....	Minot.....	24	1	51	23	85	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H. D. Gardner.....	Salvester, Milton, Moscow and West Perry.....	13	4	19	22	37	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
MONTANA.																											
L. G. Clark.....	General Missionary, Montana, South Idaho, Utah and Wyoming.....	26	...	52	26	108	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
L. G. Clark.....	General Missionary, Montana, So. Idaho and Utah.....	26	...	52	26	108	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
L. W. Falls.....	Kalispell.....	31	2	108	104	317	12	175	8	10	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
F. J. Salsman.....	Missoula.....	59	1	112	48	385	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
W. M. Lewis.....	East Gallatin and vicinity.....	52	3	163	46	133	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
T. L. Lewis.....	West Gallatin and vicinity.....	52	3	163	46	133	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
T. J. Brock.....	Livingston.....	52	2	108	104	317	12	175	8	10	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
J. R. Wright.....	Livingston.....	17	...	77	29	75	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
M. L. Rickman.....	Bozeman.....	52	1	124	48	513	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
William Ramington.....	Billings.....	44	1	116	65	387	7	100
F. A. Akar.....	Grant Falls.....	54	1	120	107	443

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W. H. Searles	47	1	92	59	715	12	41500	0	15	62	1	93	305 64
H. F. Cope	52	3	122	54	758	53	9200	2	18	73	2	254	264 75
C. B. Miller	47	4	113	33	159	26	1200	4	3	18	1	221	87 60
J. A. Hughes	23	1	46	19	58		1500		1	30	1	45	34 75
W. L. Rickman	59	6	180	39	602				95	153	2	101	101 85
C. G. Scott	52	1	180	162	174		1123	5	23	25	2	67	82 10
A. O. Armstrong	17	2	68	45	58	2	143	2	23	25	1	25	75 40
Mrs. J. Whitmore	52			106	137	14	164						
WYOMING													
L. Limes	15	5	60	10	215	3	260	3	4	57		164	97 00
T. Carpenter	13	3	49		218		307			34		45	7 00
J. M. Jones	52												
S. C. Davis	52	1	114	89	758	21	335	16	19	171		243	318 25
W. A. Perzoldt	52	4	179	94	684	10	107	14	10	118		268	197 35
H. W. Nee	52	3	116	113	735			5	16	94		107	168 75
R. E. Brown	51	1	123	59	335	3	200	5	9	36		53	49 00
COLORADO													
Wm. B. Pope	13		26	10	50								
General Missionary	39		110	64	410								
Thomas Stevenson	52	1	113	84	415		584	2	3	56		109	137 43
C. W. F. Dixon	52	2	217	83	1628	6	4700	26	24	109		190	216 93
J. A. Haycraft	52	2	107	51	225				7	9		171	94 50
D. S. McGlashan	39	2	80	72	265				21	100		82	71 94
C. N. Wester	52	3	92	48	460	3	1900		3	43		88	120 20
B. S. Knapp	52	3	75	38	325		160			30		85	44 45
A. H. Law	19	1	160	82	335		6200	8		48		73	147 05
G. L. Borroughs	52	1	68	34	1100				16	61		86	51 00
Montrose	34	1	67	30	300	18	400	2	8	36		62	19 26
O. P. Bishop	39	2	30	18	80	2	450		2	32		51	50 86
P. A. Eubank	39	4	84	34	254		370	3	6	51		93	311 39
P. A. Eubank	26	1	79	39	514				16	97		167	118 47
David Reddick	59	2	105	59	335				14	174		236	447 00
A. J. Morris	13		31	10	27		460		3	27		60	
E. C. Drew	13	2	28	10	75				3	43		162	30 00
Saguache and Center	26	3	100	30	310				7	6		100	128 10
E. O. Butler	50	1	167	49	201		100	4	7	53		100	161 50
A. J. Emerson	39	2	87	38	248	5	400		19	36		42	54 80
James Sheppard	30	1	68	24	230		700		21	30		43	71 43
H. C. Abbott	30												

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IDAHO																		
W. H. Bowler	Shoshone and Le Duc	26	4	70	59	115	100	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	704 45
W. H. Bowler	Shoshone, Picabo and vicinity	26	1	116	31	140	1500	1500	4	0	36	1	1	1	1	1	1	171 35
C. H. M. Kee	Wallace	43	1	86	57	249	1500	1500	4	0	36	1	1	1	1	1	1	916 55
A. H. Hard	Wallace	53	4	121	64	384	195	195	7	1	70	1	1	1	1	1	1	113 57
D. D. Murray	Caldwell and Middleton	53	5	139	66	270	1560	1560	10	1	123	1	1	1	1	1	1	102 30
T. S. Helm	Payette and Emmett	18	5	51	11	243	500	500	1	1	82	1	1	1	1	1	1	133 35
J. H. Hem	Nampa and Emmett	26	2	58	24	436	500	500	1	1	74	1	1	1	1	1	1	91 46
J. S. Hampton	Nampa and Mountain Home	26	2	58	24	436	500	500	1	1	74	1	1	1	1	1	1	133 46
William Pearce	Idaho Falls	26	2	58	24	436	500	500	1	1	74	1	1	1	1	1	1	133 46
R. D. Latter	Idaho Falls	53	5	149	67	433	6	1034	3	1	88	1	1	1	1	1	1	98 51
C. R. Dequene	Leoti River	48	2	111	46	236	37	734	3	1	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	98 51
R. C. Cook	Weiser	39	2	111	46	236	37	734	3	1	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	98 51
W. M. Collins	Salubria and vicinity	39	2	111	46	236	37	734	3	1	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	49 00
Henry Van Engelen	Idaho Falls	4	1	104	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	84 94
T. A. Legar	Pocatello and Blackfoot	53	3	180	48	282	1	1600	2	1	110	1	1	1	1	1	1	23 1
D. M. McReynolds	Hailey and Soder	53	4	180	48	282	1	1600	2	1	110	1	1	1	1	1	1	107 73
E. C. Rogers	Boise Valley	26	2	129	56	185	8	7	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	73 55
F. E. Taylor	Hagerman	43	1	86	63	191	3	300	4	1	101	1	1	1	1	1	1	90 08
O. V. Wheeler	Moscow	12	3	33	12	85	3	400	1	1	101	1	1	1	1	1	1	98 16
R. T. Guernsey	Cottonwood and Nez Perce	41	3	79	46	162	1	400	1	1	101	1	1	1	1	1	1	211 04
L. B. Hardy	Lawton	39	1	91	35	130	1	400	1	1	101	1	1	1	1	1	1	211 04
CALIFORNIA.																		
E. R. Bennett	General Missionary North	59	28	166	51	184	150	150	6	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	61 00
John Morgan	Colored People, North and Central	52	1	166	51	184	150	150	6	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30
Rasmus Christensen	Danes and Norwegians, Oakland	52	1	166	51	184	150	150	6	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	383 30
J. P. Rosquist	Swedes, District Missionary	15	3	113	24	672	9	3000	5	2	58	1	1	1	1	1	1	103
J. P. Rosquist	Swedes, Kingsbury and vicinity	15	3	113	24	672	9	3000	5	2	58	1	1	1	1	1	1	32
Charles Palm	Swedes, San Francisco	17	2	47	18	213	1	400	1	1	101	1	1	1	1	1	1	257 30
P. A. Helm	Swedes, San Francisco	20	2	72	24	163	1	400	1	1	101	1	1	1	1	1	1	336 00
John Nelson	Swedes, San Jose	53	2	133	71	599	1	150	1	1	101	1	1	1	1	1	1	384 75

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W. F. Irvine.....	East Los Angeles	52	1	98	74	845	150	24	44	38	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
J. T. Hollenbeck.....	Banning.....	43	1	30	43	100	1	17	1	54	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
C. W. Her.....	Winnipeg.....	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Joseph Ellis n.....	Winnipeg.....	31	1	68	38	50	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
J. M. Lockhart.....	Bethel Church, Santa Pauli.....	52	1	35	52	416	102	12	15	105	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
J. H. Moore.....	San Pedro.....	26	1	18	13	200	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
W. F. Binney.....	Ontario.....	52	1	114	75	272	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
A. I. Frost.....	Orchard Ave. Ch., Los Angeles	19	1	28	30	370	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Thomas Jent.....	Covina.....	10	1	16	7	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
J. H. Sampson.....	Colton.....	48	1	107	27	640	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
John Smithers.....	San Louis Obispo.....	13	1	64	23	78	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
R. E. Whittemore.....	National City.....	43	1	74	23	41	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
E. J. Meise.....	Orange.....	26	1	50	85	181	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
W. C. Whitaker.....	Bakersfield.....	39	1	67	34	215	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
E. H. Sweet.....	Fuerton.....	26	1	58	53	241	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
M. S. Howes.....	Lompoc.....	26	1	76	34	200	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Paul Kinney.....	Fallbrook.....	13	1	26	12	122	100	29000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
J. F. Moody.....	Chico.....	13	1	30	11	125	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Alexander Grant.....	Carpenteria.....	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
C. J. Christanson.....	Swedes, San Diego.....	30	1	78	24	2150	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Xo Chow.....	Chinese, District Missionary.....	30	1	160	79	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Mrs. Daisy I. Elyre.....	Chinese Mission, Redlands.....	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Mrs. Zorah D. Sinton.....	Chinese Mission, Redlands.....	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
M. E. Terrell.....	Colored, Second Church, Rivers de	11	1	18	21	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Charles Waeble.....	German, Anaheim.....	26	1	55	41	266	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
P. C. A. Menard.....	German, San Francisco.....	52	1	107	50	94	10	1251	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Jacob Albert.....	German, Los Angeles.....	13	1	53	16	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1									

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G. R. Varney	52	25	68	1850	2	108	341	105	39
Corvallis Association	26	15	160	1850	6	3	59	30	45
C. P. Bailey	27	4	50	1850	11	2	180	180	180
Elmore and Spencer Butte	27	4	50	1850	11	2	180	180	180
District Missionary	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
T. S. Dulin	18	22	65	1850	25	16	100	100	100
N. S. Hollcroft	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Monte Ilie, Gresham, and Pleasant	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Home	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Central Association	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
E. Maguire	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
I. H. Howard	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Looking Glass and vicinity	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
S. A. Douglass	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Reeseburg	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
R. W. King	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Pederton	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
H. B. Blood	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Adams and Helix	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
A. J. Huguleit	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Grants Pass	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Robert Leslie	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Mark Noble	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Corvallis	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Fossil and Mayville	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
John Tonkins	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Lone Rock and Mayville	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
John Tonkins	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
M. B. Bliss	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Third Church, Portland	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
G. M. Linnar	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
La Grande	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Gardner and Marshfield	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Thomas Irvine	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
M. W. Bledsoe	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Arlington	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
M. W. Bledsoe	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Calvary Church, Portland	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
M. B. Bledsoe	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
G. M. Miller	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
W. G. Miller	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Riddle and Myrtle Creek	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
W. G. Miller	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
I. B. Spigit	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Dallas	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
I. R. G. Russell	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Heppner	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
W. Stockton	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Browsville	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
I. W. Stockton	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
J. Trumbull	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Astoria	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
B. C. Miller	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Oakland	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
B. C. Miller	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Springfield and Harrisburg	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Dillard	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
W. E. Thornton	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Douglas	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
W. E. Thornton	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Richard Hargreaves	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Weston and Freewater	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Huma and vicinity	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
G. W. Black	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
W. W. Black	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
W. W. Black	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Calvary Church, The Dalles	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
W. W. Black	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Newberg	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
F. C. Stannard	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
G. A. Nulley	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Graham and Orient	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
I. B. Griffith	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Klamath Falls and vicinity	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Montville and Mt. Tabor	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
G. A. Leary	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
I. W. Mount	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
O. L. Hoven	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Dunes and New District Missionary	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Swedish Conference	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54
Gustaf Johnson	26	2	189	1850	25	16	66	28	54

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G. A. Osbrink.	Sweden Conference	26	46	17	200	3	125	...	28	10 30
John Samuelson.	Sweden, Astoria	4	10	4	27
Mrs. Fannie I. Allen	City Missionary, Portland.	1	30
James L. Allen	Colored, Mt. Olivet Ch., Portland.	9	18	9	50
Fred. Hermann	Germans, Salem.	39	113	67	235	7	1150	3	29	75 00
Albert Grauer	Germans, Stafford.	53	150	45	344	1	1537	...	64	70 56
Gustav Eichler	Germans, Portland.	39	119	37	128	6	331	...	33	237 58
Gustav Eichler	Germans, Salt Creek.	13	31	11	60	32	178 12
H. W. Wedel	Germans, Salt Creek.	17	35	22	24	65	27 54
Fung Chak.	Chinese, Portland.	20	77	41	60	40	79 56
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WASHINGTON															
A. M. Allyn	General Missionary, East, and Northern Idaho	43	81	29	222	22	1000
C. A. Roberg	Sweden, Spokane	43	135	73	318	22	21	80 53
E. G. Barnum	Republic.	13	26	13	14	14	8 00
W. H. Rutherford	W-flour and Sherman	26	106	36	203	106	165 50
H. M. Crain	Tekoa	30	90	28	376	40	14 50
H. M. Crain	Wilbur.	13	42	13	270	21	14 50
R. A. Thomson	North Yakima	43	104	43	338	108	130 84
W. E. Pettibone	Ellensburg	43	104	56	466	56	130 18
John J. Tickner	Davenport	39	91	59	167	194	70
H. W. D. Kirkendall	Latah and Farmington	36	55	36	167	73	43 25
S. M. McCarter	Wenatchee	17	36	17	158	40	36 43
H. W. D. Kirkendall	Spangle and Enon	13	33	12	126	25	50	...	34	45 59
S. M. McCarter	Spangle	30	33	17	78	83	142 68
E. C. Scott	Colfax	13	33	17	135	7	170
E. C. Scott	Colfax	13	33	17	135	7	170
T. J. Collins	Garden and Union Park Chs., East	26	69	26	100	227	240 45
H. S. Black	Spokane	18	88	36	339	18	14 50
W. M. Collins	Pomeroy	30	59	27	150	23	100 15
W. M. Collins	Pomeroy	6	19	8	28	80	62

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P. J. Ott.....	Vance	96	31	20	27	72	136	1	187	1	1	1	1	152	47
C. O. Johnson	Vancouver	22	58	23	130	72	136	1	187	1	1	1	1	152	47
G. C. King	Samias and vicinity.....	4	12	3	20	1	136	1	187	1	1	1	1	152	47
G. C. King	Hi-jaid	48	155	36	937	1	100	17	24	1	1	1	1	187	53
M. W. Miller	Puya-lup	21	51	24	195	3	6	5	23	1	1	1	1	141	23
M. W. Miller	Sixth Avenue Church, Tacoma	21	51	24	195	3	6	5	23	1	1	1	1	141	23
P. S. Rogers	Kent	18	37	21	51	1	1	4	56	1	1	1	1	109	66
Arthur Royce	Kent	18	37	21	51	1	1	4	56	1	1	1	1	109	66
J. G. McPherson	Mt. Olivet Church, Tacoma	26	94	26	300	2	250	8	123	1	1	1	1	186	6
J. B. Weber	Market St. Church, Seattle	52	120	24	783	1	1	7	63	1	1	1	1	186	6
Alexander Rhine	Custer and Blaine	48	151	65	346	1	1	25	63	1	1	1	1	186	6
F. H. Webster	Port Townsend and Quilcene	26	56	56	378	1	1	5	59	1	1	1	1	186	6
F. H. Webster	Port Townsend	26	56	56	378	1	1	5	59	1	1	1	1	186	6
W. T. Fellows	Willapa and South Bend	17	41	14	80	1	1	6	45	1	1	1	1	186	6
W. T. Fellows	South Bend	17	41	14	80	1	1	6	45	1	1	1	1	186	6
Lynn Munro	Ferndale	39	91	30	240	1	1	13	51	1	1	1	1	186	6
Robert Yeatman	Oysterville and vicinity	26	55	50	264	1	1	7	63	1	1	1	1	186	6
Robert Yeatman	Vancouver	26	55	50	264	1	1	7	63	1	1	1	1	186	6
T. S. Fritz	Centralia	59	103	65	190	2	906	4	70	1	1	1	1	186	6
C. M. Chis	Shoshomish	13	89	13	50	1	1	23	70	1	1	1	1	186	6
S. M. McCarrett	Shoshomish	39	103	65	190	2	906	4	70	1	1	1	1	186	6
S. M. McCarrett	Davis Mem'l Ch., Mt. Vernon	39	103	65	190	2	906	4	70	1	1	1	1	186	6
J. M. Everitt	City Missionary, Seattle	26	77	34	345	1	1	23	50	1	1	1	1	186	6
George Campbell	City Missionary, Seattle	26	77	34	345	1	1	23	50	1	1	1	1	186	6
ONTARIO.															
Herman Thiel	Germans, Lyndoch	59	116	55	218	7	10	8	113	1	1	1	1	186	6
Henri Gelan	Germans, Arnprior	17	108	107	488	1	159	9	105	1	1	1	1	186	6
W. A. Schoen	Germans, Killarney	52	104	57	198	1	1	12	123	1	1	1	1	186	6
MANITOBA.															
Adolph Baetig	Germans, Morden and Plum Coulee	38	115	13	258	1	1540	5	37	1	1	1	1	186	6
Jacob Hermann	Germans, Morden and Plum Coulee	5	12	12	21	1	1	12	105	1	1	1	1	186	6
Wilhelm Schunke	Germans, Winnipeg	5	190	91	397	11	4800	12	16	1	1	1	1	186	6

First in by Labor.

NAMES OF MISSION-
ARIES, TEACHERS, &c.

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES, TEACHERS, ETC.	FIELDS OF LABOR.													
	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Out-Station Servants.	Sermons Preachd.	Prayers and Other Meetings Held.	Families or Persons Religious or Visited.	Bibles and Testaments Distributed.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	By Baptism.	By Letter or Experience.	Number of Church Members.	Churches Organized.	Churches Exp'd.	Number of Sunday-Schools.	Sunday-Schools Organized.
	Attendance at Sunday-Schools.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.	Attendance at Sunday-Schools Organized.
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D. A. Wilson	52	5	252	21	238	44	3570	20	21	69	1	1	1	89
Mrs. Elma G. Cowan	59				127	1	1770							
PORTO RICO.														
H. P. McCormick	52		286		450	39		84						
Miguel Muñoz	59													
Pedro Cabrera	52													
Caroleo Diaz	43													
Mrs. Ida Hayes	52			97	1178									
A. R. Ridd	52		105	55	339	54		75						
Manuel Labron	54													
Eugenio Abasco	52													
Mrs. Jane P. Duggan	52				138									

* Teacher.

SUMMARY

OF STATES, RECEIPTS, MISSIONARIES, LABORS AND RESULTS.

STATES, ETC.	LOCALITIES IN 1901-02.	NO. OF MISSIONARIES.	WEEKS OF LABOR.	CHURCHES AND OUT-STATIONS SUPPLIED.	SERMONS PREACHED.	PRAYERS AND OTHER MEETINGS HELD.	FAMILIES OR PERSONS RELIGIOUSLY VISITED.	BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS DISTRIBUTED.	PAGES OF TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.	BY BAPTISM.	ADDED TO CHURCH BY LETTER OR EXPERIENCE.	NUMBER OF CHURCH MEMBERS.	CHURCHES ORGANIZED.	CHURCH LEADERS KNOWN.	NUMBER OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS ORGANIZED.	ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	RENEWEDLY CONVERTED.	
Maine	2,746	6	52	101	46	238	53	8	80	0	0	80	1	1	1	1	1	1	55
New Hampshire	1,792	87	165	11	444	238	23	54	80	0	0	80	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Vermont	3,127	36	52	101	46	238	53	8	80	0	0	80	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Massachusetts	74,481	46	109	35	1,000	884	10,504	372	12,072	13	14	161	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Rhode Island	3,934	70	43	15	1,000	884	10,504	372	12,072	13	14	161	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Connecticut	6,385	67	43	15	1,000	884	10,504	372	12,072	13	14	161	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
New York	253,353	43	43	15	1,000	884	10,504	372	12,072	13	14	161	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
New Jersey	8,184	45	51	17	1,000	884	10,504	372	12,072	13	14	161	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
New England	15,634	88	60	34	1,000	884	10,504	372	12,072	13	14	161	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Pennsylvania	572	41	130	4	423	153	96	61	104	35	35	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Delaware	1,348	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dist. of Columbia	1,014	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Maryland	2,004	51	14	42	1,318	549	5,423	572	6,169	44	48	370	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Virginia	340	3	340	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
West Virginia	114	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kentucky	114	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tennessee	114	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
North Carolina	254	10	21	754	518	615	944	478	19,513	40	48	194	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
South Carolina	604	20	20	36	130	130	130	13	130	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Georgia	1,310	47	1,310	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Florida	4	25	175	60	171	171	171	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Alabama	15	20	140	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mississippi	3	36	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Louisiana	53	60	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Arkansas	53	35	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Texas	8,874	00	177	8	1,000	391	4,517	17	17	43	43	374	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ohio	1,556	40	602	22	2,911	1,020	4,517	17	17	43	43	374	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Michigan	8,874	00	177	8	1,000	391	4,517	17	17	43	43	374	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Indiana	10,474	95	4,081	39	3,171	1,418	0,000	544	134,245	219	223	1,216	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Illinois	12,516	41	4,802	127	2,000	1,418	1,418	255	181	137	137	1,418	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Wisconsin	1,703	91	2,171	115	4,000	1,418	1,418	324	1,418	1,418	1,418	1,418	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Minnesota	1,703	91	2,171	115	4,000	1,418	1,418	324	1,418	1,418	1,418	1,418	4	4	4	4	4	4	4

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Iowa.....	5,597 91	4	208	462	141	1,317	50	10,458	2	4	51	3	1	113	143 80
Missouri.....	1,638 25	8	304	426	278	1,582	16	4,779	11	7	388	4	...	371	370 38
Indian Territory	430 13	105	3,266	8,077	2,838	13,058	721	56,870	794	1,103	7,078	16	122	14	7,580	3,932 60
Oklahoma Ter..	719 62	83	2,795	7,841	2,603	20 187	563	28,496	674	1,626	5,084	24	139	24	8,917	5,885 15
Kansas.....	6,696 69	72	2,281	6,703	2,480	15,037	404	18,747	404	404	4,887	10	101	7	5,956	3,484 99
Nebraska.....	6,703 61	46	1,419	3,965	1,818	12,273	249	50,174	313	369	3,044	1	55	7	3,900	3,061 39
South Dakota...	930 55	48	1,669	4,909	2,076	10,401	109	28,273	136	131	2,894	2	65	4	3,796	4,316 45
North Dakota..	1,023 26	38	1,155	3,630	1,635	7,605	75	11,446	86	115	2,334	5	67	9	3,064	3,043 14
Montana.....	580 74	18	779	1,945	1,032	6,118	126	11,000	75	197	975	8	25	3	1,926	2,772 00
Wyoming.....	71 00	7	256	632	335	2,928	36	1,009	43	51	500	.....	12	1	876	862 37
Colorado.....	5,600 93	36	1,202	3,073	1,399	11,344	189	20,304	188	361	2,163	4	49	0	3,603	3,100 72
New Mexico....	798 03	24	734	1,418	645	4,693	147	19,966	62	144	1,047	5	28	6	1,411	1 149 49
Arizona.....	434 74	9	229	563	313	1,990	90	1,550	23	43	590	1	9	...	697	881 03
Utah.....	215 11	11	279	577	391	2,798	36	14,890	44	67	669	.....	9	1	988	1,230 58
Nevada.....	112 00	2	52	125	22	339	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Idaho.....	1,073 11	20	729	1,866	860	5,073	67	23 435	62	109	1,209	4	37	3	2,315	2,400 20
California.....	8,923 99	76	2,637	5 926	2,978	20,904	425	112,090	237	487	3,787	3	74	7	5,383	6,473 05
Oregon.....	2,909 34	45	1,642	4,104	1,928	9,184	122	55,630	129	234	3,018	3	59	5	4,121	3,508 17
Washington....	4,620 89	72	2,454	6,386	3,112	20,892	343	16,021	152	534	4,604	11	115	5	7,023	5,971 25
Ontario.....	170 00	3	156	320	219	918	7	1,580	29	4	349	.....	6	.....	237	273 76
Manitoba.....	11 00	3	95	317	109	590	11	7,340	17	18	232	.....	5	1	326	271 05
Alberta.....	.....	1	52	115	45	421	.....	.....	.....	8	63	1	3	.....	75	77 00
British Columbia	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Assiniboia.....	.....	3	91	226	105	542	.....	158	65	15	273	7	4	.....	158	210 92
Mexico.....	119 76	20	792	1,955	799	7,636	387	112,926	28	39	474	.....	15	.....	692	639 25
Alaska.....	25 85	1	48	128	51	491	.....	.....	4	4	30	.....	1	2	89	45 00
Cuba.....	46 59	6	260	679	150	2,012	224	68,863	43	14	218	2	7	6	316	182 21
Porto Rico.....	.....	9	416	421	152	2,105	93	.....	150	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ger. Miss. Soc'y	9,309 03	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woman's Am....	18,878 09	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Women's Mich..	995 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Women's Ill....	1 515 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
China.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTALS.....	\$413,163 71	1,278	43,880	99,593	45,658	290,081	8,684	2,010,720	4,957	7,449	63,348	142	135	128	87,813	\$86,000 03

MEMBERS FOR LIFE.

Total number constituted during the year 40

- Anderson, Rev F L., Austin, Minn., by First Church.
- Baptist Young People's Union of Carrollton, Ill., by Self.
- Baptist Young People's Union of Winchester, Ill., by Self.
- Benfield, Absalom A., Hoopeston, Ill., by Church.
- Bennett, Rev. Joseph A., Philadelphia, Pa., by Mrs. M. R. Trevor.
- Bond, Richard H., Needham, Mass., by Church.
- Bruen, Albert, Brooklyn, N. Y., by Baptist Temple.
- Carter, Rev C. M., Muncie, Ind., by Self.
- Channon, W. H., Quincy, Ill., by Church.
- Charles, Rev. Geo. H., Philadelphia, Pa., by Mrs. M. R. Trevor.
- Clark, Mrs. Claude, Akron, Ohio, by Church.
- Cunningham, H. T., Centralia, Ill., by Self.
- Ellsworth, Miss Nettie, Ottawa, Ill., by Church.
- Estebrook, G. L., Philadelphia, Pa., by Mrs. M. R. Trevor.
- Estey, W. Sneedard, Brooklyn, N. Y., by Baptist Temple.
- Everett, F. A., Quincy, Ill., by Church.
- Gardiner, Rev. E. S., Franklin, Ind., by Self.
- Goble, J. C. Westfield, Ill., by Self.
- Green, Thomas M., Philadelphia, Pa., by Mrs. M. R. Trevor.
- Hetfield, Carman R., Brooklyn, N. Y., by Baptist Temple.
- Holt, Rev G. F., Minneapolis, Minn., by Fourth Baptist Church.
- Hyde, Grace, Quaker Hill, Conn., by Self.
- Hyde, Sylvia, Quaker Hill, Conn., by Self.
- Irish, Jefferson H., Detroit, Minn., by Self.
- James, Miss Hannah M., Philadelphia, Pa., by Mrs. M. R. Trevor.
- Wood, Samuel L., Ottawa, Ill., by Church.
- Lake, Rev E. M., Pontiac, Ill., by Church.
- Lawrence, Mrs. Mary, Philadelphia, Pa., by Mrs. M. R. Trevor.
- McBride, Samuel, D.D., Brooklyn, N. Y., by Self.
- Manning, Mrs. Sarah C., Chicago, Ill., by Dr. J. B. Manning.
- Miner, Evangelist, S. J. Sabetha, Kan., by Self.
- Nelson, Rev. Swaney, Big Springs, So. Dak., by Swedish Church.
- Ogle, Rev. Albert, Indianapolis, Ind., by Self.
- Parry, Mrs. J. J., Medford, Mass., by Self.
- Rowley, Rev. L. A., East Marion, N. Y., by Church.
- Rupert, Mrs. Elizabeth, Howell, Ind., by Church.
- Shelmire, Charles W., Philadelphia, Pa., by Mrs. M. R. Trevor.
- Smith, Rev. Arthur Warren, Kingston, Mass., by Church, Y. P. S. C. E. and Mission Circle.
- Smith, Mattie, Pisgah, Ill., by Self.
- Solomon, Edward B., Dayton, Ohio, by Self.
- Solomon, Sarah H., Dayton, Ohio, by Self.
- Stedman, Charles Sumner, Albany, N. Y., by Emmanuel Church.
- Stedman, Frank White, Albany, N. Y., by Emmanuel Church.
- Thomas, Mrs. Laura B., Chicago, Ill., by J. B. Thomas, D.D.
- Turnbull, Mary E., Orange, N. J., by Rev. Alex. Turnbull.
- Vevay Baptist Church, Vevay, Ind., by Self.
- Williamson, Mrs. William, Champaign, Ill., by Self.
- Woman's Mission Circle of Fairmount, Ill., by Self.
- Wood, Rev. Joseph Roberts, Philadelphia, Pa., by Mrs. M. R. Trevor.

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DATE.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	TREASURER.
1832, April 27.....	N. Y. Organizat'n	Hon. Thomas Stocks...	Rev. Jonathan Going, elected.	Wm. Colgate elected.
1833, May 8.....	New York.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.	William Colgate.
1834, May 7 & 8.....	New York.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.	William Colgate.
1835, May 4 & 5.....	Richmond.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going.	William Colgate.
1836, June 7 & 8.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going } Rev. Luther Crawford }	William Colgate.
1837, April 27-30.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Jonathan Going } Rev. Luther Crawford }	Runyon W. Martin.
1838, April 27 & 28.....	New York.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Luther Crawford.	Runyon W. Martin.
1839, April 26.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Runyon W. Martin.
1840, April 28.....	New York.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Runyon W. Martin.
1841, April 27, 28 & May 1.....	Baltimore.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Runyon W. Martin.
1842, April 26-28.....	New York.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Runyon W. Martin.
1843, April 25.....	Albany.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Runyon W. Martin.
1844, April 23, 26, 29 & 30.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Runyon W. Martin.
1845, April 29 & May 1 & 2.....	Providence.....	Hon. Heman Lincoln..	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Runyon W. Martin.
1846, May 13 & 14.....	Brooklyn.....	Friend Humphrey.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Runyon W. Martin.
1847, May 10 & 11.....	New York.....	Friend Humphrey.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Runyon W. Martin.
1848, May 11.....	New York.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Runyon W. Martin.
1849, May 10.....	New York.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Chas. J. Martin.
1850, May 9.....	New York.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Chas. J. Martin.
1851, May 8.....	New York.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Chas. J. Martin.
1852, May 14-16.....	Cleveland.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Chas. J. Martin.
1853, May 13-15.....	Troy.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill.	Chas. J. Martin.
1854, May 11-14.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.	Chas. J. Martin.
1855, May 9.....	Brooklyn.....	Hon. Isaac Davis.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.	Chas. J. Martin.
1856, May 9 & 10.....	New York.....	Hon. Albert Day.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.	Chas. J. Martin.
1857, May 13 & 14.....	Boston.....	Hon. Albert Day.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.	J. E. Southworth.
1858, May 14 & 15.....	Philadelphia.....	Hon. Albert Day.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.	D. C. Whitman.
1859, May 13-15.....	New York.....	Hon. J. P. Crozer.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1860, May 24.....	Cincinnati.....	Hon. J. P. Crozer.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1861, May 31.....	Brooklyn.....	J. E. Southworth.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1862, May 29.....	Providence.....	Hon. Ira Harris.....	Rev. Benj. M. Hill, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1863, May 21.....	Cleveland.....	Hon. J. W. Merrill.....	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.

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DATE.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	TREASURER.
1864, May 19, 21 & 24 ..	Philadelphia ..	Hon. J. W. Merrill ..	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1865, May 18, 20, 22 & 23	St. Louis ..	M. B. Anderson, L.L.D.	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1866, May 17 & 18 ..	Boston ..	M. B. Anderson, L.L.D.	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1867, May 23 & 24 ..	Chicago ..	Hon. J. M. Hoyt ..	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1868, May 26 & 27 ..	New York ..	Hon. J. M. Hoyt ..	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1869, May 19 ..	Houston ..	Hon. J. M. Hoyt ..	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1870, May 26 ..	Philadelphia ..	Hon. J. M. Hoyt ..	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1871, May 20 and 21 ..	Chicago ..	Hon. Wm. Kelly ..	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Eben. Cauldwell.
1872, May 23 ..	New York ..	Hon. J. M. S. Williams ..	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Wm. A. Gellatly.
1873, May 21 & 22 ..	Albany ..	Hon. J. M. S. Williams ..	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Wm. A. Gellatly.
1874, May 23-25 ..	Washington ..	Hon. S. A. Crozer ..	Rev. Jay S. Backus, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1875, May 27 ..	Philadelphia ..	Hon. S. A. Crozer ..	Nathan Bishop, L.L.D., acting Sec.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1876, May 26 ..	Buffalo ..	Hon. S. A. Crozer ..	Nathan Bishop, L.L.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1877, May 24 ..	Providence ..	Hon. Robert O. Fuller ..	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1878, May 29 ..	Cleveland ..	Hon. Robert O. Fuller ..	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1879, May 29 & 30 ..	Saratoga Springs ..	Hon. Robert O. Fuller ..	Rev. S. S. Cutting, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1880, May 26 & 27 ..	Saratoga Springs ..	Hon. Wm. Suckney ..	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1881, May 24 & 25 ..	Indianapolis ..	Hon. Wm. Suckney ..	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1882, May 24, 25 & 26 ..	New York ..	Hon. James L. Howard ..	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1883, May 25 & 26 ..	Saratoga Springs ..	Hon. James L. Howard ..	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1884, May 26 & 27 ..	Detroit ..	Hon. James L. Howard ..	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	Jos. B. Hoyt.
1885, May 27 & 28 ..	Saratoga Springs ..	John B. Trevor ..	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	William Phelps.
1886, May 27, 28 & 29 ..	Auburn Park, N. J. ..	Samuel Colgate ..	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.

1887, May 27, 28 & 29.	Minneapolis.	Samuel Colgate.....	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1888, May 16 & 17.....	Washington....	Samuel Colgate.....	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.	J. G. Snelling.
1889, May 17 & 18.	Boston.....	Hon. C. W. Kingsley.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1890, May 26 & 27.	Chicago.....	Hon. C. W. Kingsley.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1891, May 20 & 21.	Cincinnati.....	Hon. C. W. Kingsley.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1892, May 27 & 28.	Philadelphia...	Hon. E. Nelson Blake.	Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D.....	J. G. Snelling.
1893, May 29 & 30.	Deuver... ..	Hon. E. Nelson Blake.	{ Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., hon. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1894, May 23 & 24.	Saratoga Springs.	Hon. E. Nelson Blake.	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1895, May 30 & 31.	Saratoga Springs.	H. K. Porter.....	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1896, May 25 & 26.	Asbury Park. N. J.	H. K. Porter.....	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	J. G. Snelling.
1897, May 19 & 20.	Pittsburg, Pa..	H. K. Porter.....	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	D. A. Waterman.
1898, May 19 & 20.	Rochester, N. Y.	Stephen Greene.....	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	D. A. Waterman.
1899, May 30 31, and San Francisco, June 1.....	Cal.....	Stephen Greene	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	Frank R. Hathaway.
1900, May 23 and 24....	Detroit, Mich ..	Stephen Greene.....	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	Frank R. Hathaway.
1901, May 23 and 24. ...	Springfield, Mass.	E. M. Thresher.....	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	Frank R. Hathaway.
1902, May 24 and 26....	St. Paul, Minn..	E. M. Thresher.	{ Rev. T. J. Morgan, D.D., cor. sec. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D.D., fld. sec.	Frank R. Hathaway.

Officers were elected generally at the Annual Meeting previous to that against which their names appear in the foregoing table.

REVISED MISSIONARY TABLE SHOWING THE DISTRIBUTION

SOCIETY'S YEAR.	Me. N. H.	Mass. Vt.	R. I. Conn.	N. Y. N. J.	Penn. Del.	Md. D. C.	Va. Ky.	Tenn. N. C.	S. C. Ga.	Fla. Ala.	Miss. La.	Ark. Tex.	Ohio.
1-1832-33	1			6									12
2-1833-34	1			4				3					15
3-1834-35	1			3				5					13
4-1835-36	1			3				5					20
5-1836-37	2			3				1					23
6-1837-38	1			3				9					15
7-1838-39	1			3				14					17
8-1839-40	1			3				13					19
9-1840-41	1			3				3					11
10-1841-42	1			3				3					10
11-1842-43	1			3				10					10
12-1843-44	1			3				12					4
13-1844-45	1			3				13					1
14-1845-46	3			3				13					1
15-1846-47	1			5				13					1
16-1847-48	1			3				13					3
17-1848-49	1			6				1					4
18-1849-50	1			6				1					2
19-1850-51	1			4				1					2
20-1851-52	1			3				1					3
21-1852-53	1			3				1					3
22-1853-54	1			3				1					5
23-1854-55	1			3				1					7
24-1855-56	1			3				1					8
25-1856-57	1			3				1					4
26-1857-58	1			3				1					3
27-1858-59	1			3				1					4
28-1859-60	1			3				1					3
29-1860-61	1			3				1					1
30-1861-62	1			3				1					1
31-1862-63	1			3				1					1
32-1863-64	1			3				1					1
33-1864-65	1			3				1					1
34-1865-66	1			3				1					1
35-1866-67	1			3				1					1
36-1867-68	1			3				1					1
37-1868-69	1			3				1					1
38-1869-70	1			3				1					1
39-1870-71	1			3				1					1
40-1871-72	1			3				1					1
41-1872-73	1			3				1					1
42-1873-74	1			3				1					1
43-1874-75	1			3				1					1
44-1875-76	1			3				1					1
45-1876-77	1			3				1					1
46-1877-78	1			3				1					1
47-1878-79	1			3				1					1
48-1879-80	1			3				1					1
49-1880-81	1			3				1					1
50-1881-82	1			3				1					1
51-1882-83	1			3				1					1
52-1883-84	1			3				1					1
53-1884-85	1			3				1					1
54-1885-86	1			3				1					1
55-1886-87	1			3				1					1
56-1887-88	1			3				1					1
57-1888-89	1			3				1					1
58-1889-90	1			3				1					1
59-1890-91	1			3				1					1
60-1891-92	1			3				1					1
61-1892-93	1			3				1					1
62-1893-94	1			3				1					1
63-1894-95	1			3				1					1
64-1895-96	1			3				1					1
65-1896-97	1			3				1					1
66-1897-98	1			3				1					1
67-1898-99	1			3				1					1
68-1899-00	1			3				1					1
69-1900-01	1			3				1					1
70-1901-02	1			3				1					1

NOTES IN ABOVE TABLE.—This table does not include General Officers and missionaries of auxiliary bodies as also all those who receive appointments but did not actually render and report service.

In the Eastern, Middle and older Southern States, the missionary operations of Baptists among the white English speaking population have been conducted almost wholly by the State Conventions. This has been true also for many years in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, and Michigan. The exceptions to this rule occur between 1862 and 1874, during portions of which time the Society was in cooperation with New York, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, and Michigan, and also with Wisconsin, Kansas, Nebraska, California, and Florida. Since 1878 cooperation has been resumed with several of the newer States, so that, in 1902, the Conventions of Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Wisconsin, California, North Pacific Coast, and Arkansas are in general cooperation with the Society.

OF MISSIONARIES AND TEACHERS BY STATES FOR EACH YEAR.

Ind	Ill.	Mo.	Mich.	Wis.	Iowa.	Minn.	Kan	Neb.	Col.	Ind. T.	Okla. F.	Dak.	N. Dak.	S. Dak.	Mont.	Idaho.	Wyo.	Utah.	N. Mex.	Ariz.	Nev.	Cal.	Ore.	Wash.	Can.	Mex.	New Granada.	Alaska.	Total.
5	9																											50	
12	9																											62	
13	16	10	11																									79	
14	19	10	14																									96	
15	23	15	1																									103	
16	21	12	1																									105	
17	23	10	2																									115	
18	16																											87	
19	11	6	5																									71	
20	15	9	3																									63	
21	11	9	6																									55	
22	8	11																										73	
23	19	7	11																									97	
24	23	7	13																									98	
25	32	5	8																									130	
26	30	4	21																									151	
27	24	12	13																									158	
28	20	18	13																									110	
29	32	18	14																									172	
30	30	13	19																									141	
31	33	9	30																									164	
32	34	8	15																									175	
33	29	7	18																									109	
34	27	5	25																									113	
35	8	5	17																									88	
36	6	5	14																									97	
37	3	6	18																									106	
38	3	5	20																									128	
39	4	3	23																									131	
40	1	1	12																									84	
41	7	3	8																									87	
42	21	5	6																									146	
43	19	6	10																									227	
44	16	24	7																									312	
45	36	25	36																									391	
46	35	36	31																									326	
47	10	17	27																									266	
48	14	25	24																									301	
49	38	7	22																									338	
50	47	14	18																									414	
51	37	15	20																									435	
52	37	5	20																									329	
53	44	16	9																									394	
54	12	5	7																									254	
55	3	7	4																									225	
56	2	5	4																									213	
57	2	7	4																									238	
58	2	7	4																									277	
59	13	6	15																									390	
60	5	3	24																									512	
61	32	5	25																									607	
62	32	4	22																									636	
63	23	9	28																									702	
64	19	5	9																									676	
65	20	3	7																									678	
66	25	3	7																									743	
67	23	4	7																									790	
68	22	4	11																									813	
69	24	2	17																									948	
70	25	5	18																									1053	
71	28	8	16																									1082	
72	26	7	20																									1111	
73	27	5	22																									1100	
74	23	5	16																									1147	
75	27	6	15																									1064	
76	26	7	17																									1030	
77	12	7	17																									1092	
78	28	6	20																									1160	
79	30	7	22																									1190	
80	28	8	14																									1178	

Operations in the South were discontinued on the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845. They were resumed in 1862, since which time they have been chiefly among the Freedmen, and are largely educational. The decrease of laborers among the Freedmen after 1873 is largely accounted for by the fact that students were no longer commissioned as teachers and missionaries during their summer vacations.

1868-69, Cuba, 2; Porto Rico, 2. 1899-00, Cuba, 4; Porto Rico, 6. 1900-1, Cuba, 9; Porto Rico, 8. 1901-2, Cuba, 6; Porto Rico, 9.

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RESULTS.

SOCIETY'S YEAR.	Contributions and Legacies.	No. of Missionaries	Churches and Stations Supplied.	Baptisms Reported.	Churches Organized	Years of Labor.
1—1832-33	\$6,586 73	50	.....	400	....	23
2—1833-34	7,776 52	62	.....	1,600	40	55
3—1834-35	8,663 84	79	.....	1,200	60	68
4—1835-36	16,910 85	96	300	1,040	96	79
5—1836-37	12,361 66	103	247	873	33	89
6—1837-38	13,437 81	105	237	1,431	29	81
7—1838-39	15,345 05	115	.....	1,058	24	88
8—1839-40	17,334 29	87	.....	761	24	62
9—1840-41	10,779 09	71	300	1,134	59	45
10—1841-42	12,506 92	93	325	1,495	36	68
11—1842-43	11,806 51	85	304	1,489	50	63
12—1843-44	13,401 76	73	249	1,127	29	46
13—1844-45	18,675 66	97	327	818	51	62
14—1845-46	15,727 73	98	472	992	33	71
15—1846-47	18,161 50	136	505	490	29	84
16—1847-48	20,068 73	151	558	694	35	105
17—1848-49	20,876 64	128	453	774	45	92
18—1849-50	25,201 09	110	338	949	33	81
19—1850-51	29,648 28	132	326	971	33	98
20—1851-52	38,114 16	141	580	1,187	46	99
21—1852-53	42,872 01	164	500	1,025	59	116
22—1853-54	56,381 08	175	612	1,322	67	137
23—1854-55	55,545 40	169	481	1,026	55	128
24—1855-56	47,928 54	113	196	542	21	87
25—1856-57	41,361 76	88	211	336	24	64
26—1857-58	41,707 82	97	247	593	27	77
27—1858-59	43,525 92	106	269	764	53	85
28—1859-60	55,749 50	128	358	496	50	96
29—1860-61	44,678 67	131	371	867	71	109
30—1861-62	31,144 28	84	252	473	30	71
31—1862-63	32,095 30	87	215	501	17	45
32—1863-64	56,090 00	147	372	892	36	83
33—1864-65	94,403 17	227	429	2,141	57	130
34—1865-66	105,936 25	312	378	4,151	89	158
35—1866-67	144,184 46	391	406	7,236	132	233
36—1867-68	139,060 44	326	352	6,712	106	207
37—1868-69	130,877 23	266	301	4,424	64	183
38—1869-70	177,878 90	301	321	3,840	70	184
39—1870-71	197,071 30	338	491	4,038	90	195
40—1871-72	186,251 29	414	500	6,029	160	259
41—1872-73	210,660 07	435	484	4,910	166	278
42—1873-74	221,272 97	329	362	2,264	113	187
43—1874-75	198,343 98	324	358	2,100	92	198
44—1875-76	177,876 62	254	300	2,036	65	159
45—1876-77	159,032 94	225	256	1,581	60	163
46—1877-78	126,463 91	213	250	1,834	36	149

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RESULTS.—Continued.

SOCIETY'S YEAR.	Contributions and Legacies.	No. of Missionaries.	Churches and Stations Supplied.	Baptisms Reported.	Churches Organized.	Years of Labor.
47—1878-79	\$115,083 35	235	274	1,172	42	157
48—1879-80	122,419 21	277	536	1,160	67	175
49—1880-81	193,373 24	390	1,302	1,304	61	236
50—1881-82	311,915 45	512	1,460	1,675	75	318
51—1882-83	226,914 76	607	1,762	2,515	152	406
52—1883-84	369,302 51	636	1,599	2,949	145	404
53—1884-85	315,245 53	702	1,625	3,317	139	464
54—1885-86	326,279 09	676	1,512	3,396	140	442
55—1886-87	523,623 82	673	1,385	3,300	129	447
56—1887-88	551,595 92	743	1,594	2,586	137	475
57—1888-89	296,461 53	790	1,795	3,646	181	526
58—1889-90	360,414 15	833	1,659	3,834	103	541
59—1890-91	213,586 62	945	1,825	4,523	199	603
60—1891-92	318,956 06	1,053	2,015	4,335	119	669
61—1892-93	315,961 75	1,052	2,035	5,743	136	715
62—1893-94	333,137 61	1,111	2,221	5,995	149	682
63—1894-95	355,157 75	1,100	1,933	6,192	150	716
64—1895-96	394,729 10	1,147	2,015	6,258	187	713
65—1896-97	320,534 93	1,064	1,775	4,916	137	722
66—1897-98	318,176 25	1,030	1,591	5,022	150	689
67—1898-99	384,676 64	1,092	1,807	3,325	57	720
68—1899-00	322,285 30	1,180	1,776	4,442	76	777
69—1900-01	550,818 65	1,159	1,954	4,906	81	820
70—1901-02	334,728 29	1,278	2,100	4,957	142	844
Totals..	11,019,189 12			174,197	5,609	18,511

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

I.—This Society shall be called THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

OBJECT.

II.—The object of this Society shall be to promote the preaching of the Gospel in North America.

MEMBERSHIP.

III.—The Society shall be composed as follows:

1. Individual annual members upon the payment of ten dollars.
2. Annual members appointed by contributing churches on the basis of one for each church and an additional member for each \$50.00 contributed, provided that no church be entitled to more than ten members.
3. Honorary life members, whether so constituted by the payment, either by themselves, by friends, or by churches, of \$500.00. Every such member shall have a vote in the meetings of the Society so long as he continues to be an annual contributor to the treasury. But no person shall vote in the meetings of the Society who is not a member in good standing of a regular Baptist Church.
4. All persons constituted Members for Life previous to June 1, 1902.

OFFICERS.

IV.—The officers of the Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, two Auditors, one or more Corresponding Secretaries, and a Recording Secretary.

MANAGERS.

V.—There shall be twenty-one managers also, residing chiefly in the city of New York, or its vicinity, who shall be divided by lot among themselves into three classes of seven members each. The terms of service of the first class shall expire in one year, that of the second class in two years, and that of the third class in three years, provided that absence from four consecutive regular meetings of the Board without a written, valid excuse, shall work a forfeiture of membership, unless the term is extended by special vote of the Board. At each annual meeting of the Society, after the first election under this amended Constitution, one class only shall be elected for the term of three years, to the end that the third part of the whole number of the managers, as nearly as possible, may be annually chosen; provided, however, that vacancies remaining in any class may be filled for the unexpired term of that class. The officers and managers shall be elected by ballot and continue to discharge their official duties until superseded by a new election.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

VI.—The Recording Secretary and Managers of the Society shall constitute the Executive Board, to control the business of the Society, seven of whom shall be a quorum for that purpose. They shall have power to appoint their own meetings, elect their own Chairman, and Recording Secretary, enact their own By-laws and Rules of Order, provided, always, that they be not inconsistent with this Constitution; fill all vacancies which may occur in their own body, or in the offices of the Society, during the year, and, if deemed necessary by two-thirds of the members, convene special meetings of the Society. They shall establish such agencies as the interests of the Society may require, appoint agents and missionaries, fix their compensations, direct and instruct them concerning their particular fields and labors, make all appropriations to be paid out of the treasury, and present the Society, at each annual meeting, a full report of their proceedings during the current year.

DESIGNATED FUNDS.

VII.—All moneys or other property contributed and designated for any particular missionary field or purpose shall be so appropriated, or returned to the donors or their lawful agents.

TREASURER.

VIII.—The Treasurer shall give bonds to such amount as the Executive Board shall think proper.

ELIGIBILITY TO APPOINTMENT.

IX.—All the Officers, Managers, Missionaries and Agents of the Society shall be members in good standing in regular Baptist Churches.

ANNUAL MEETING.

X.—The Society shall meet annually for the election of Officers and Managers and the transaction of other necessary business, at such time and place as the Executive Board shall appoint.

ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

XI.—No alteration of this Constitution shall be made without an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed in writing, and the proposition sustained by a majority vote, at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Board.

The Charter of The American Baptist Home Mission Society consists of various Acts of the Legislature of New York, viz.:—

Chapter one hundred and seventeen of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-three, entitled "An act to incorporate the American Baptist Home Mission Society," as amended and extended by chapter thirty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, and further amended by chapter five hundred and twenty-eight of the laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five; and further amended by chapter two hundred and sixty of the laws of nineteen hundred, and further amended by chapter three hundred and fifty-eight of the laws of nineteen hundred and two.

THE CHARTER.

1. All such persons as now are, or hereafter may become, members of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, formed in the city of New York in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two, shall be, and hereby are, constituted a body corporate by the name of "The American Baptist Home Mission Society," for the purpose of promoting the preaching of the Gospel, or the establishing, maintaining, or aiding Baptist churches or missions, for the acquisition of sites in contemplation of the erection of houses of worship and other buildings, and for the establishing or maintaining, or assisting in the establishing or maintaining of schools and other institutions of learning in connection with its missionary work in North America.

2. It shall be lawful for the members of said society, at any time they may elect, to appoint such officers and to make and ordain such by-laws and regulations in relation to their organization and to the management, disposition and sale of their real or personal estate, the duties and powers of their officers and the management of their corporate affairs as they shall think proper, provided they are not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state and of the United States. The executive board may, on complying with this act and the constitution and by-laws of the society, and without application to the court, sell, convey, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of any real property, wherever situated, owned by the society. Any deed, mortgage, lease or other instrument by which any title or interest is transferred, may be executed by the corresponding secretary and the treasurer of the society, unless otherwise ordered by its executive board.

3. The said corporation shall have power to receive, take, hold and enjoy any property, real or personal, by virtue of any devise, bequest, gift, grant or purchase, either absolutely or in trust, and to accumulate the same for such period as required by the bequest, devise or gift and not prohibited by law; and to make investments thereof, or of the proceeds thereof, or of any of its funds, wherever and in such manner as may be deemed advisable, and therewith to acquire or erect for its own use or accommodation, or for other purposes, such building or buildings as it may regard advantageous to the interests of the society, or of the Baptist denomination with which it is connected; and the said corporation shall also be competent to act as trustee in respect to any devise or bequest pertaining to the object of its corporation; and devises and bequests of real or personal property may be directly made to said corporation, or in trust, for any of the purposes comprehended in the general objects of said society, and such trusts may continue for such time as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes for which they may be created; subject, however, in respect to the amount of property it may take and hold, to the restrictions and limitations of existing laws, and in respect to devises or bequests from residents of the State of New York, to the provisions of chapter three hundred and sixty of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty, entitled "An act in relation to wills."

4. The annual and other meetings of said corporation may be held at such place or places within the United States, and at such time or times as the said corporation may, from time to time, determine.





HAVE YOU MADE A WILL?

It will not shorten your life to make it. Nobody knows as well as yourself upon whom you would wish to settle your estate. Perhaps there are claims which your Lord and Redeemer has upon the final disposition of it. There may be ignorance which you ought to do something to enlighten; there may be souls in the shadow and darkness of death whom you should do something to lift up into light.

Do not write your own will unless you are a lawyer; better a few dollars spent for skill than that your estate be ravaged by litigation. Let your lawyer be sure that names of institutions remembered be written with absolute correctness. We hope you are disposed to remember this Society. For our Colored Schools we need endowment funds which over and over, through successive generations, shall be made to do the work of instructing teachers and preachers; we need funds for the support and enlargement of our general missionary work among the weak and destitute; we urgently need funds for the Benevolent Department of our Church Edifice work. Remember us. You are giving to these causes now; give when you are dead.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE SOCIETY— 'I give and bequeath to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, formed in New York in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two, the sum of ——— for the general purposes of said Society.'

Bequests for special features of the Society's work should be properly expressed in the will, thus: "For the Freedmen's Work of the Society"; "For Endowment Fund for Christian Schools among the Negroes and the Indians"; "For the Maintenance of Students for the Ministry in Schools for the Negroes and the Indians"; "For the Benevolent Department of the Church Edifice Fund."

The following form of attestation by three witnesses, who should write against their names their places of residence, will answer for every State in the Union: "Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said (A. B.) as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who, at the request of the said (A. B.) and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereto subscribed our names as witnesses." A deed must be attested in the same manner. In some States it is required that charitable bequests should be made at least two months before the death of the testator.

Do You Prefer to be Your Own Executor?

This Society will receive your money, designated for the purpose you name, and will invest it, and if you so desire will pay you an annuity for it while you live—the Society to hold and use it after your decease. The Society holds large amounts in trust in this precise form. It goes to the donor a bond which makes a safe and guaranteed investment during his life. Thus there will be no contest over your will when you are gone, and no uncertainty about your gift reaching its destination.

NOTE—Pastors and others who know of bequests to the Society are especially requested to inform the Corresponding Secretary of the facts as soon as practicable, giving names of testator, executor, and Surrogate if possible, and any other facts of importance. Sometimes, through neglect or other causes, information concerning bequests reaches us long after the death of the testator, and sometimes, it is believed, not at all. Such gifts are sacred, and every Christian is interested in having them secured and applied to the ends designated.

Donors should make drafts, checks, and Post-office orders payable to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and can send their contributions to the District Secretary or General Missionary for their district.

The payment of \$50 makes one a member for life. Churches frequently constitute their pastors Life Members, so that whenever they attend the meeting of the Society they have a voice in its deliberations.

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